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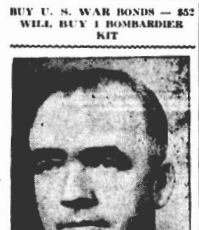
Joe Barry Woods, instructor at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, 61st Army Air Forces Flying Training Detachment is a Rome Ga., boy who has logged something over 2,000 hours of flying time during the seven years he has been flying airplanes, including the fourteen months he has been an instructor at Lodwick.

Barry, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Woods, of East Third St., Rome, received his training in his home town. Before joining the U. S. Army Air Forces he was a "barnstorming" pilot, having won a dare-devil reputation in air-shows in which he appeared all over the states of Georgia and Alabama. He is the winner of several races against stout competition.

Barry, together with other Lodwick instructors, turns out from 20 to 25 pilots a year. He has instructed cadets from all parts of the country.

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## *Graham Advocates Agricultural Jobs For Returning Vets*

JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 16 —Importance of agriculture in any plan for development of Florida's Post-war opportunities, was stressed again by State Sen. Ernest R. Graham, of Dade County in a radio address here. As guest speaker on Radio Station WPDQ, the white-maned candidate for governor, said that in mapping employment plans for some 300,000 returning Floridians from the armed services, state leaders must give thought to the opportunities offered in agriculture for creating jobs not only on the farm but also indirectly in the cities. He pointed out that for every person engaged in basic work, such as farming, jobs for two others are provided in the city.

A veteran of World War 1, Graham said, "I have two sons in this war and not only for them, but for the hundreds of thousands of other Florida men and women in the armed services, our first consideration in looking to Florida's future must be the winning of this war and the returning of these men and women to the peaceful profitable pursuits of civilian life."

He said that after the last war, instead of finding the $10,000 job he expected, he returned to civilian life for $1,800 the first year and supported a wife and two children.

"Those things won't happen after this war, if we can use the sense God gave us, to plan the future. We can't talk glibly about spending millions of dollars, unless we first find out where that money's coming from. Money just doesn't grow on trees and additional taxation is out of the question. The solution lies in creating work and wealth. Agriculture offers almost unlimited possibilities along that line, and any person who thinks city dwellers are not affected, has not thoroughly studied the situation."

ed with the movement and their names will be made public at a later date.

"We have no political axe to grind and our purpose to elect men to office who view the fundamentals of government in the same light we do is but natural" said a spokesman for the group. "We appeal to every other to think of his country and its welfare above every other consideration when he casts his or her vote this year and select men for public office who are not only capable and competent but who will pledge themselves before elected to favor a return to, and strict maintenance of constitutional government as created within the framework of the constitution, preserving the rights not only of the people but of the several states from encroachment of bureaucratic government that substitutes rules, regulations, directives and regimentation in the place of laws, and without constitutional authority attempts to control every detail of our private and business lives."

Offices of the new organization were established in the Gentile Building, 123 S. Orange Avenue, Orlando and correspondence is invied from groups and individuals Russell Kay, executive secretary, advised.

## *Constitutional Group Opens Office in Orlando*

Orlando, Feb. 10 (FNS) — With its program endorsed by the representatives of 33 state-wide groups, Florida Voters for Constitutional Government, began this week, perfecting plans for an intensive advertising and publicity campaign designed to bring to the attention of all voters a declaration of principles by which candidates for all offices may be measured.

Believing that a return to constitutional government is imperative if the "American way of life" is to be preserved and the people's liberties retained, the new organization will urge everyone to register and vote in the coming elections, selecting men for all offices from among those candidates who give evidence of their sympathy with such principles and who, if elected can be depended upon to work and fight for such measures.

While not supporting or opposing any specific candidate, Florida Voters for Constitutional Government, contends that it is fitting and proper for the voters to express their desire as to the kind and character of government they want and that such expression from the people should be looked upon as a mandate by those who seek posts as public officers.

Appeals went out this week to all civic, agricultural, business, professional and industrial organizations urging that they join this movement and endorse the principles it represents.

R. D. Keene of Winter Garden, prominent citrus man, was chosen head of the organization, as president with John D. Clark of Waverly, vice-president, Russell Kay of Tampa, secretary and E. T. Lyle of Orlando, treasurer. Directors are being selected from among the various groups identifi.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CHANCERY NO. 1311-C
BILL FOR DIVORCE
JAMES W. SAUCIER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ANNA M. SAUCIER
Defendant.
NOTICE TO APPEAR
TO THE DEFENDANT, ANNA M. SAUCIER:

You are hereby notified that on the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1942, James W. Saucier filed his Bill of Complaint in the above Court against you, the nature of the same being t. procure a Divorce of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii.

You are hereby required to file your appearance to the said Bill of Complaint in the said Court on or before the 6th day of March, 1944 or judgment by default will be entered against you.

WITNESS the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, and the signature of the Clerk thereof this 10th day of February, A. D., 1944.

H. T. PIETY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court
(SEAL) By J. C. DESHONG,
Deputy Clerk
S. COLQUITT PARKER
Attorney for Plaintiff.
201 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
February 11, 18, 25, March 3

## *Wilbur King Of Zolfo Announces For State Senate*

Wilbur C. King of Zolfo Springs, formally announces his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for State Senator from the 27th District.

In making his announcement Mr. King calls the attention to the importance of the four counties of the District of the planning of a Post-War program, and pledges his best efforts for securing for the District everything possible to cushion the shock of post war readjustment.

He served as county commissioner in Hardee county for ten years, was Chairman of the Board for six and in 1936 served as President of the State Association of County Commissioners and for many years served as member of Town Council of Zolfo Springs and is now serving as President of the Board.

A native of Florida, Mr. King is a successful farmer, cattle raiser and citrus fruit grower and is familiar with manifold problems of these lines of activity and believes he can truly represent the four agricultural counties which comprise the 27th Senatorial District.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1042

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that E. O. Hunt, the holder of the following certificate 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. 738
Year of Issuance 1937.
Description of Property — N½ of SE¼, Less RR R/W, in Section 19, Township 36 South, Range 29 East, 76 acres.
Name in which assessed — Unknown.
Certificate No. 739
Year of Issuance — 1937.
Description of Property — W½ of NE¼ of Section 30, Township 35 South, Range 30 East, 80 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 March, 1944, which is the 6th day of March 1944.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25

IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933

Re Estate of
GEORGE F. SMITH, 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 George F. Smith, 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 twelve months from the date of the first publication hereof.

You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney.

Date of first publication, January 7, 1944.

FRED M. SMITH
Administrator of Said Estate.
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1042

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Mary C. Hancock the holder of the following certificate 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 in the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 510
Year of issuance 1938
Description of Property: Lot 39, in Section 33, Township 34 South, Range 29 East — 10 Acres.
Name in which assessed: Harry Swank.

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

Unless such 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 March, 1944 which is the 6th day of March, 1944.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1042

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that E. O. Hunt 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 in the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 737
Year of Issuance 1937.
Description of Property — Lots 27 & 28, Blk R, Sunset Park Sd, Per Plat Book 1, Page 84, Section 6, Township 35 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Henry Krause.
Certificate No. 1061
Year of Issuance — 1941
Description of Property: Lots 133 & 134, Blk R, Sunset Point Sd, Per Plat Book 1, Page 84, Section 6, Township 35 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: J. D. Mitchell.

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 certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in month of March, 1944 which is the 6th day of March, 1944.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1042

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that E. O. Hunt 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 in the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 449
Year of Issuance — 1940
Description of Property: Lots 27 & 28, Blk R, Sunset Park Sd, Per Plat Book 1, Page 84, Section 6, Township 35 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Henry Krause.
Certificate No. 1061
Year of Issuance — 1941
Description of Property: Lots 133 & 134, Blk R, Sunset Point Sd, Per Plat Book 1, Page 84, Section 6, Township 35 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: J. D. Mitchell.

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 certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in month of March, 1944, which is the 6th day of March 1944.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

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WANTED — Beauty operator. No license required. A. W. Edge, Phone Ext. 84, Avon Park Army Air Field. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — Hens and eggs. Mrs. Mary Hopson, one block north Sebring highway, opposite Lotela Club. 1tpd.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS
NOTICE TO APPEAR
HOWARD D. WILSON,
Pla ntiff,
vs.
CATHERINE A. WILSON,
Defendant.
TO CATHERINE A. WILSON, Defendant:

You are hereby notified that a Bill for Divorce has been filed against you in the above styled Court, and you are hereby warned to appear in person or by attorney on or before the 6th day of March, 1944, or judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will proceed exparte.

WITNESS the signature of the Honorable D. O. Rogers, and the Seal of the above styled Court this 4th day of February, 1944.

H. T. PIETY, Clerk
(SEAL) By COLON HENONG,
Deputy Clerk
MATTIE W. TOMPKINS
Attorney for Plaintiff
201 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25.

REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the registration books of Highlands County, Florida, will be open in each precinct in the county from Feb. 8 to March 6 for the registration of all those wishing to participate in the Primary Election, to be held May 2, 1944.

Those who have once registered in the Primary books do not have to register, but your name must appear on the books for you to be able to vote in the primary.

The books will close in the precincts March 6 after which voters may register in the registration office in the court house until the night of April 15, 1944.

The precinct registration officers who will have the books in their respective precincts are:

AVON PARK —
No. 1: Sun Office.
No. 1A: L. D. Roberts Pressing Club.
No. 1B: Harris Tourist Camp.
SEBRING —
No. 2: Yarbrough's Drug Store.
No. 2A: McAdams Service Station.
No. 2B: Registration Office, court house.
DESOTO CITY —
No. 3: Post Office, Mrs. Burch.
LAKE PLACID —
No. 4: McAuley's' Store.
VENUS —
No. 5: Morgan's Store.
HICORIA —
No. 6: Mr. Shackleford, post office.
BASSENGER —
No. 7: Post Office, Mrs. Williams.
BRIGHTON —
No. 8: Post Office.
SUNNILAND —
No. 9: Post Office, Tave Waldron.

ROLAND X. DROIT
Supervisor of Registration
Highlands County

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# Political Announcements

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FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated. .

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office, as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the County Office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.

DAN YOUNG

FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favors they showed me in getting me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyalty and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announced opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

FOR CONSTABLE

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries, I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as Chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination as your county Judge. I will appreciate your vote and support, and promise you, as in the past, efficient, and courteous operation of the office.

THOS. A. MCNICHOLAS

FOR STATE SENATOR

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a cattle grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any machine group but under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare and advancement of the citizens I represent as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, A TAXPAYER.
In The Matter of the Estate of:
IDA POTTER BRICK, DECEASED.
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as administratrix of the estate of Ida Potter Brick, deceased, and that I shall on the 29th day of January, A. D., 1944, file my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, on the 29th day of January, A. D., 1944, for approval of the same and for final discharge as administratrix of the estate of Ida Potter Brick, deceased.

This 27th day of January, A. D., 1944.

MARGERY B. CHURCH
Administratrix of the estate of Ida Potter Brick, Deceased.
Jan. 28, Feb 4-11-18

LEGAL NOTICE
COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR'S ROUNDS

In accordance with the laws of Florida I will make my official Tax Rounds for 1944 as scheduled below.

The law provides that EVERY OWNER or agent having REAL PERSONAL or PERSONAL INTANGIBLE property assessed to the County Assessor of Taxes on or before April First of each year, further provides that all taxpayers claiming exemptions make application for same by April First.

DUE TO RESTRICTED TRAVEL CONDITIONS, GAS AND TIRE RATIONING, ETC. IT WILL BE TO OUR MUTUAL ADVANTAGE FOR ALL OWNERS OF TAXABLE PROPERTY TO MEET ME AT THE TIME AND PLACE DESIGNATED BELOW:

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| Pct. 8 | Wed., Feb. 9th | VENUS, Post Office |
| Pct. 3 | Thurs., Feb. 10th | LAKE PLACID, City Office |
| Pct. 5 | Fri., Feb. 11th | DE SOTO CITY, Post Office |
| Pct. 9 | Wed. 9th 10th | LORIDA, Post Office |
| Pct. 7 | Thurs. Feb. 17th | AVON PARK, Hartt's Office |
| Pct. 1A | Fri. Feb. 18th | AVON PARK, Hartt's Office |
| Pct. 1B | Sat. Feb. 19th | AVON PARK, Hartt's Office |
| Pct. 2 | Mon. Feb. 21st. | SEBRING, Court House |

In lieu of visit to Precincts 6-7-8 Tax Returns and Homestead Exemption blanks will be mailed to all Homestead owners in said districts.

P. G. GEARING,
County Tax Assessor

Feb. 4, 11

# THE SUN

SCENIC HIGHLANDS

VOLUME XIX - NUMBER 15 — AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FEBRUARY 25, 1944 — THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 — THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 28, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1943


Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

Lt. Clayton Fields, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fields, bombardier on a B-24, has been transferred from North Africa to Italy. He writes that he has named his bomb sight "Ouida," after his sister, and "hopes that it will bring him back."

It's now Pfc. Earl Varnes; Earl received his promotion at Camp Stewart, Ga., where he is with an Army Service Forces Detachment.

Mrs. Adele Causey of Tampa, formerly of Avon Park, now serving with the WAC, has been transferred from Tampa to Hendricks Field, Sebring.

Lt. Richard Bennett, who has been an instructor in basic training school, army air corps, stationed at Coffeyville, Kansas, has been transferred to the Ferry Group at Long Beach, California. Mrs. Bennett, who has been with him in Coffeyville, has also gone to Long Beach.

Cpl. Denver LeRoy Base, Jr., of Orlando, nephew of Mrs. David Stuckey, who is a flying mechanic with a Troop Carrier Group on New Guinea, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross recently, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Base, who formerly resided in Avon Park. The award was made for operational flight missions from Aug. 1, 1943 to Nov. 14, 1943, and with it he was given a group citation, signed by Gen. George C. Kenney, as commanding general of the 5th Air Force.

Lt. Ralph Rogers, Signal Corps, was home on leave to visit his wife and family this week. He expects to be sent overseas soon.

Seaman Dolphus Wilkes, who has been stationed at Bainbridge, Md., was home on leave this week.

Damon Sadler, was home for a few days this week on leave, after returning from a trip to Europe. Damon is in the merchant marine and made Ireland for his first trip.

Red Rutledge, who has recently entered the army, was home this week.

Pvt. Billy Seim left Wednesday for Fort George Mead, Maryland, after spending a furlough here at his home. He is in the army ground force replacement, field artillery, and has been stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Pvt. William C. Croft, with the engineer corps, stationed at Camp Reynolds, Pa., is home on furlough. While here, he is recuperating from a serious illness, having been confined to the hospital at camp with pneumonia.

Cecil Skipper left Wednesday for Miami to begin his pre-flight training for the army air corps.

Henry Wild, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Wild, who has been employed in the shipyards at Mobile, Ala., has enlisted in the Merchant Marines and is stationed in St. Petersburg.

Mrs. T. G. Landress is in receipt of a V-Mail letter from her brother, R. E. Bowman with his infantry outfit in the Mediterranean Theatre which contains the information that he has been awarded the Purple Heart, for wounds received in action. In his letter, he says "I am still in the hospital, but my arm is well now, and I expect to be out in a couple of days. There were about fifteen others and myself awarded the Purple Heart the other day. I was glad to get one, though I hope I never have a chance at another, not like I got this one anyway. I am sending it to you in a couple of days.

Mrs. Robert Willis, who prior to her marriage was Miss Effie Lee Williams, is in receipt of a letter from her husband, Lt. Willis, pilot of a B-17 in Italy, in which he tells of a narrow escape he and members of his crew had on January 24th. Their plane gave out of gas over the ocean, he writes and they were forced to make a crash landing. They were adrift for about two hours, before being picked up. Not one of the crew was injured, except from exposure. He now has a new ship and is flying again. Lt. Willis has the air medal, which he received while on duty in north Africa.

L. J. McConnell (Junior as he is familiarly known), who has been stationed with the U. S. Coast Guard at Key West for many months, has been transferred to New York, for training for overseas duty.

### Dr Griffin to Speak Sunday at Baptist Church

Dr. J. Harrison Griffin, State Brotherhood secretary of Florida, will be guest speaker of the First Baptist Church at the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning.

**INVEST IN AMERICA, BUY U. S. WAR BONDS!**

## Red Cross Goal For Highlands Set at $13,000

### Paul Garber Is Avon Chairman; To Raise $6,000

The 1944 Red Cross war fund drive, which will take place during the month of March, got under way last Thursday night when the county advisory committee, headed by the Rev. Perry B. James of Sebring, met in chapter headquarters in Sebring.

A goal of $13,000 has been set for this county to raise, which was divided into quotas of $6,000 for Avon Park, $6,000 for Sebring and $1,000 for the remainder of the county.

Chairman for the campaign in Avon Park will be J. Paul Garber, assisted by R. R. Brown.

Co-chairman for the campaign in Sebring will be Ford Heacock and Smith Rudasill.

It was planned to ask the cooperation of the Sebring Woman's club and the Avon Park P.-T.-A. in the house to house solicitation. Members of these two organizations assisted in the solicitation in their respective cities last year. There will also be arrangements made to accept contributions at the theaters in both towns and the local banks.

Solicitation of resort hotel guests will be stressed this year, it was decided, with W. V. Higgins of Sebring being named chairman of this activity. T. J. Ward, Avon Park and Sebring business man, was named to take charge of window dressing and similar publicity and Miss Rosamond Mallory of Sebring in charge of newspaper publicity.

An intensive campaign to put the drive across will be carried on in Sebring March 1 through 8. A similar week of intensified activity will begin March 13 in Avon Park with a mass meeting in the High School Auditorium to be followed by a week of house to house canvassing. There will be a solicitation for funds throughout the county the entire month, however, and the collections at the theaters will begin March 1 and end March 31.

According to present plans, Mrs. Laura Bacon, national Red Cross worker, will speak in Avon Park at the mass meeting March 13, and in Sebring some time that same week. Mrs. Bacon was active in Red Cross work overseas during the first World War, and at the outbreak of this war was in Paris. She has been active in establishing Red Cross clubs for service men in Algeria and Sicily in this war.

The solicitation will extend to Avon Park Army Air base, Lodwick Aviation Military Academy and Hendricks Field, intensive campaigns to be put on at these military centers the latter part of the month.

Under the present set-up, contributors of $1 or more will be given membership cards; all contributors the lapel tags, and all contributors who want them, the window and car stickers. The "100

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### City Buys New Tractor-Trailor For Range Route

The City Bus Line has purchased a new tractor-trailer bus, which arrived today and will be put in operation between the city and the Range in the near future. The new bus will seat 60 without crowding, and will haul 120 standing and seated. The body is a Wayne steel job, bought from the Rivers Body Factory, Jacksonville. The new Dodge tractor was purchased from Wells Motor Company.

### Brother of R. R. Porterfield Dies in Washington

Chambers Roland Porterfield, 77, brother of R. R. Porterfield of this city, died Thursday in Washington, D. C. He was a retired United States treasury official and went into office under Cleveland's first administration. Upon receiving word of his illness, Mrs. Porterfield left here Tuesday for Washington, but called her husband on Thursday, advising him on the death of his brother.

### Funeral Services For J. O. Witt Sunday Afternoon

Funeral service for Jasper Orloff Witt, 44, who died Sunday night at his home on Tulane Circle, following a brief illness, will be held at 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. O. E. Burton, pastor of the church, will conduct the services, assisted by the Rev. Dewe Durrance of Wauchula. Interment in Mt. Pisgah cemetery will be held at 4:30, following the services at the Avon Park Church. The Highlands county quartette from Sebring will sing at the services at the church.

Active casketbearers will be Bill Tillman, Milford Dilley, Mark Smith, I. L. Hall, Brisco Willis, and Roy Palmer.

Honorary casketbearers will be Gene Barker, Wiley Sauls, David Stuckey, Jesse Sumner, Jack Head, Ray Wells, L. D. McGilhoney, and C. E. Lanier.

The deceased was born Dec. 30, 1899 in Lake City. He came to Avon Park in 1930 to live, and on July first of that year was married to Miss Lettie Crews of this city, in Bowling Green. He was a member of the Lutheran church in Lake City, and maintained his membership there. He attended the First Baptist Church in Avon Park. An automobile mechanic by trade, he had been connected with the Ford Sales, under the various managements almost ever since he moved here. He has been employed by C. E. Lanier, owner of the Avon Park Motor Company, for many years, as head mechanic. His health had not been so good for the past several months, and he had been assigned to the stock room, to lighten his work. He had not felt so well throughout the day on Sunday, but his condition only became serious a short time before he passed away.

Surviving relatives include his widow, Mrs. Lettie Witt; a son, Jasper O. Witt, Jr., A.mm 3/c, United States Navy, somewhere in the south Pacific; a daughter, Geraldine Witt; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Witt, Bowling Green; four sisters, Mrs. C. A. Rogers, Tampa, Mrs. L. Tew, Mrs. Ed Mickler, and Mrs. Elmer Brown, all of Arcadia; five brothers, Leon and Freeman Witt of Manatee, Pvt. David Witt, Camp Barkley, Texas, Edward Witt, Fort Myers, and John B. Witt, mm/1, U. S. Navy.

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends attending the funeral will be Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mickler, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Witt, Pvt. and Mrs. St. Clair Witt, Mrs. Hortence McClelland and daughter, Miss Loraine McClelland, Ashville, N. C., Mrs. Bill Arold, Miami, Misses Susie and Lavona Lovett, Miami, Mrs. W. H. Blackburn, Bowling Green, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Burns, Sarasota, and Mr. and Mrs. William Matheny and family, Wauchula.

### Thomas Wells In Race for Constable in May Primary

Thomas Wells makes formal announcement in this issue of the Sun that he will be a candidate in the May 2nd primary for Constable of the First District, opposing Robert S. Massey, who has previously announced. Originally from Moultrie, Ga., Wells came to Avon Park 21 years ago. He has worked in the fruit industry most of that time, but is now employed by the L. R. Watters taxi service. He attended public schools here, finishing his education in Punta Gorda. He is married and has four children. "I can't make any promises of what I will do, if elected, except that I will fill the office to the best of my ability."

### Alton Elder Enters Race for Justice of the Peace

Alton Elder announces this week that he will run in the Democratic primary May 2, for Justice of the Peace of the First District. He will oppose the incumbent Troy A. Cox, who has announced for re-election. Born in Georgia, Elder came to Florida with his parents at the age of seven, living for some time in North Florida. About 15 years ago he moved to Avon Park. He finished his schooling here and later graduated from business college. For a time, he was employed in local stores. For the past two years he has been agent for a life insurance company, which position he will continue to hold, but feels that he will have sufficient time to devote to the office, if elected. He is married and has a ten-year old daughter.




**A RECORD-BREAKING SHIP AND HER GROUND CREW — A record has been established in the 88th Bombardment Group — the first airplane in the history of the Group to complete 2000 hours in the air is the ship "Fargo Express," pictured above with her Ground Crew. Ferried to the 88th. then at Walla Walla, Washington, Sept. 30, 1942, from Geiger Filed, same state, the ship has made an enviable record — a record which honors the men who keep her in precision trim for flights, the Ground Crew, and men who take her up, the Air Crew.**

**Assigned to 317th Bombardment Squadron last September 13, the big baby had no name. But a member of the ground force, who also believes in advertising, had an idea. He's proud of his home town and makes everyone believe there's no place like it. Following a lengthy discussion with Crew Chief, M/Sgt. E. A. Lorsong, the enthusiastic home town man, Sgt. A. L. Brantseg, by name, won approval to name the ship in honor of Fargo, North Dakota — it was duly christened "Fargo Express."**

**Members of the Ground Crew are pictured as follows — Kneeling, L R: M/Sgt. E. A. Lorsong, Crew Chief, 1st Lt. P. T. O'Neil, Engineering Officer, Major W. J. Gerzin, Squadron Commander, 2nd Lt. F. F. Herrere, Ass't. Engineering officer, and M/Sgt. C. L. Dyar, Line Chief. Standing, L/R: Pvt. R. F. Nolan, Pvt. A. E. Pettipas, Pfc. C. E. Patterson, Sgt. J .W. Curry, Pfc. A. Y. Robbins, Cpl. A. J. Martin and Sgt. A. L. Brantseg.**

## New Fresh Fruit Ceiling Prices Now In Effect

LAKELAND, Feb. 24 — The Florida citrus industry began maximum price regulation Feb. 23, the Florida Citrus Commission said today in announcing that the new order, in the form of an amendment to MPR 426, has been approved by OPA and WFA and filed in the Federal Register. The new order replaces MPR 292 which has governed the industry since Jan. 11, 1943.

The new order, covering all commercial citrus fruits except limes, allows higher maximum prices f. o. b. shipping point for all varieties than did the old order. The new order establishes two seasons, Sept. 1-Feb. 29 and March 1-Aug. 31, with all prices being increased at the beginning of the second period except for tangerines which maintain the same maximum price throughout the year. The season was divided into three periods with price changes in each under the old order.

Maximum prices based on 1-3/5 bushel containers, f. o. b. shipping point, are as follows for the period Sept. 1-Feb. 29: interior oranges, $3.45; interior white grapefruit, $2.51; Indian river oranges, $3.89; Indian River white grapefruit, $3.01; all pink grapefruit, $2.96.

Maximum prices for the second period, March 1-Aug. 31 are: interior oranges, $3.75; interior white grapefruit, $2.77; Indian River oranges, $4.01; Indian River white grapefruit, $3.27; all pink grapefruit, $3.17.

The maximum f. o. b. price for tangerines, Temple and King oranges, satsumas, tangelos and clementines, all districts for the entire season, based on 1-3.5 bushel container, is $4.46.

There is no price differential between seeded and seedless grapefruit. Indian River fruit must be so stamped on the individual fruit to be eligible for the higher prices allowed for that district.

All citrus fruits shipped in other than 4/5 or 1-3/5 bushel containers are governed by per pound maximum prices which are as follows ages, 3.8 cents; interior white grapefruit, 3.1 cents; Indian River oranges, 4.3 cents; Indian River f. o. b. shipping point.

For first period: interior orwhite grapefruit, 3.8 cents; pink grapefruit, any district, 3.7 cents.

For second period: interior oranges, 4.2 cents; interior white grapefruit, 3.5 cents; Indian River oranges, 4.4 cents; Indian River white grapefruit, 4.1 cents; pink

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## HAROLD COLEE GIVES ROTARIANS BOOSTER TALK, POST-WAR AIMS

Harold Colee, executive vice president of the State Chamber of Commerce, guest speaker at Wednesday's Rotary luncheon, gave his hearers an old-time booster talk on Florida and touched on post war aims in one of the finest inspirational talks heard at Rotary in some time.

Introduced by Charlie Lanier to "you Yankees" as a Florida product, who is doing a great job in putting Florida forward, Colee admitted the charge, and replied that he is proud of the great things Florida is doing and the strides the state is making to take its place in the forefront of the progressive states of the Union.

"I travel up and down the state, and I must say that I do not find so-called sectional factions where I go. Instead I find a united people, who are working for the good of the entire state," he said.

Complimenting the Holland administration, Colee said the state is financially sound due to the most efficient administration in the history of the state. We want more of this kind of government, he said. "We have had a taste of it, and we like it." It is the kind of government that your Representative Charlie Lanier worked for in his previous term in the Legislature, he said. "It is good, sound, progressive government, and we must continue to have it."

Florida is the fastest growing state in the Union, he said, and quoted population and income figures to prove it. Population has jumped in recent years from a little more than a million to nearly two million, and income of the people has increased in proportion. In 1939 the income was 737 million dollars. In 1940 it reached 900 million. In 1941 it was one billion. In 1942, $1,363,000,000, and in 1943 it has grown to two billion dollars.

Because of sound planning and the strategic location of this state Florida has more military installations than any other southeastern state. Unclie Sam came here not because of pull or politics, but because we have something that he had to have, he said. "And we have done our part, too. We have 185,000 men and women in the armed services."

"Florida has bought its share of bonds, has supported war chests and community chests, and contributed to all efforts in support of the war. As a native Floridian, I am proud of my state," he said.

Florida as a manufacturing state has shown greater growth than most people realize, he said. The state has some 3000 manufacturing firms, many of them working on war contracts. Ranking industries in their order of importance, he named the tourist industry first, manufacturing second and agriculture third. But he warned that Florida must meet the competition of 47 other states and nearby islands, Canada and Mexico, all of which will be making their bids for tourist trade after the war.

He wants the Legislature to set up an advertising fund, properly administered by non-political commission of public spirited persons who will serve without pay. He asked that Florida publicize something besides bathing beauties in its advertising. "Give them the facts on what this state has to offer in agriculture and manufacturing, for permanent type of investors and citizens," he urged.

He advocated an alternate route for the Pan American highway to Mexico that would lead through Florida by highway, over to Cuba and Guatemala by ferry, thus completing the round trip from the United States through Mexico.

Florida is a "natural" for aviation, and he said post-war plans should include its development to the fullest extent.

After the war the state will need to have jobs for 250,000 persons, including veterans and returned workers, who are now engaged in war work in other states. He said these should find jobs in public works, business, and agriculture, all of which will need help.

Florida will go after new industries, but he warned we should bring industries to the state that would survive. "We need to develope the natural resources of the state, and we should bring industries to the state that will use the raw materials at hand. Research is the most important thing for business after the war, to sift out the class of industry that can survive," he said.

In conclusion, he pointed out that opportunities in Florida lie in the faith, courage and determination of its citizens to do things together. "Your greatest contribution to the welfare of the state will be measured by the kind of service you render to the little town you live in. Make this contribution worthwhile," he urged.

Visitors to the Rotary luncheon were: Mrs. G. P. Thayer, Mrs. Chas. Kenney, Mrs. Walter Betts, Mrs. T. J. Ward, Joe Prevatt, E. F. Armstrong, O. C. Wilkes and W. M. Hetherington.

Out of town guests were: Tom Culler, president of the Sarasota club, Arthur D. Little, Thomasville, Ga.; Henry W. Heppeler, Lake Wales; Robert Clark, Greensburg, Pa.; and Mr. Seepe, Miami.

## Half Million Goods Needed Survey Shows

### Bakery, Laundry, Hospital, Canning Plant Needed

Results of the Post-War Work Pile canvass conducted by the ladies of the Women's Club under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce last week were announced on Wednesday by Dr. R. H. Jordan, Chairman of the Committee, at the luncheon of the Rotary Club. The canvass was very successful, and was carried out with hearty cooperation of the citizens, who were remarkably anxiously to assist in the movement to secure jobs for the returning soldiers, and to promote the post-war prosperity of Avon Park.

Business and professional men of the city are urged to study the data shown below, and to be ready to forecast their post-war plans when they are called upon to assist in the coming canvass of their post-war plans, which canvass will be made very shortly.

For the building trades, the study shows that homeowners of the city proper (the canvass did not include the rural environs of Avon Park) plan to spend nearly a quarter of a million dollars in various types of construction, as follows:

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| Outside and inside painting, interior decorating, etc. | $72,000 |
| New Plumbing and Heating Equipment | 30,000 |
| Additions to Homes, Completing unfinished space, etc., | 55,000 |
| New Residences to be built, | 72,000 |
| Total | $228,000 |

By wny of buying new home equipment, merchants may plan to meet the following demands on their stocks after the war ends:

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| Washing machines, | 264 |
| Refrigerators, | 228 |
| Curtains and Draperies, | 236 |
| Furniture, | 204 |
| Rugs and Carpets, | 216 |
| Vacuum Cleaners, | 168 |
| Radios, | 180 |
| Clocks, | 192 |
| Toasters | 112 |
| Ironers, | 90 |
| Mixers, | 80 |
| Electric Fans, | 136 |
| Electric Heaters, | 64 |
| Lighting Fixtures, | 108 |

**Yard and Garden Items**

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| Lawn Mowers, | 154 |
| Hose, | 190 |
| Garden Tools, | 96 |

Automobile dealers will be interested in their post-war market from the city proper; 236 of our citizens plan to buy new cars; and 230 of them are going to play safe, and buy new tires! 58 want radios in their cars, and 34 want heaters.

Music teachers will have some new pupils, for thirty new pianos will be bought.

The Telephone Company will find some busy days ahead since 86 citizens plan to put in phones.

A very conservative estimate of the value of all of these items, not counting automobiles, brings the total of such appliances to well over $100,000.

The automobile estimate would be $236,000. A grand total is:

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| Construction | 228,000 |
| Household Appliances | 100,000 |
| Automobiles | 236,000 |
| Total | $564,000 |

That the figures given in all of these estimates are well within the buying power of the community is verified by the amount invested in bonds of the United States since the war started; the bond drives have demonstrated that Avon Park citizens have been purchasing bonds in sufficient numbers to pay the bills, and have something left over.

**Needed Industries**

That part of the survey which gave opportunity for our citizens to express themselves as to needs of the city in the way of additional types of industry met with a hearty response. Over fifty percent of the citizens made suggestions, all of which will be given careful consideration by the Chamber of Commerce.

A good, clean bakery is the first need of our community, according to the returns; next in line is either a first class department store, or a group of smaller shops involving high grade shops for the sale of the following: ladies dresses, good grade dry goods, shoes, (featuring ladies wear), childrens

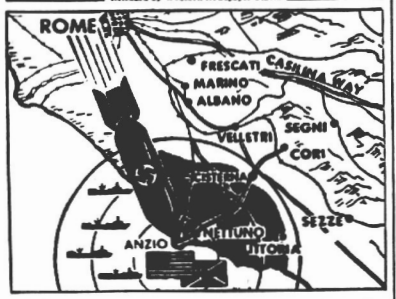
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Nazis Pour Troops Into Anzio Region As Battle for Italy Grows in Ferocity; Senate Studies 'White-Collar' Income; Aussie-U.S. Forces Join in New Guinea

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

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**Italy**—First great armored battle of Italy raged near Anzio, where Nazis strove to knock out Allied beachhead.

## ITALY:
### *Major Battle*

For the first time in the Italian campaign, major Allied and German armored forces met on level ground to slug it out, as the great battle for the Anzio beachhead below Rome raged.

To the southeast, bloody mountain fighting continued, with the entrenched Nazis stubbornly resisting advancing U. S. and French soldiers, crawling through fierce machine-gun and mortar fire to root enemy units out of deeply dug defenses.

Determined to fight a major battle in Italy far below the Po river valley in the north, the Nazis poured thousands of troops in the Anzio region, and action rose in tempo after the enemy carefully probed Allied lines for weak points.

Crowded into an area about 30 miles long and 12 miles inland, Allied forces swung into the attacking enemy at close quarters, while their air forces roamed over German positions and communication lines, blasting troop concentrations and supply deliveries.

## MEAT PRODUCTION:
### *Record Levels*

Keeping well in line with government predictions of record meat production for 1944, January slaughter of hogs, cattle and sheep set all-time marks for the month.

Partly because of liquidations due to concern over the overall feed situation for the year, 1,141,081 cattle were butchered in January, along with 7,839,352 hogs and 1,932,987 sheep.

Although the government estimated that meat production would rise 8 per cent in 1944 to a record 25,000,000,000 pounds, civilian allocations were set at the 1943 level of 131 pounds of meat per person for the year, with the services, lend-lease and other U. S. agencies obtaining the increased output. Only if the latters' needs were cut, could civilians expect more meat, it was said.

## DEMOBILIZATION:
### *Congressional Plan*

Adequate financing of industry to switch to civilian production, and orderly disposal of war material to prevent upsetting the markets, were proposed by the senate's economic policy and planning committee for postwar America.

The committee's recommendations were embodied in a bill sponsored by Senators George (Ga.) and Murray (Mont.), calling for government purchase of all raw materials or processed goods or extension of advances, partial payments or loans upon contract cancellations.

Regarding the nation's $15,000,000,000 investment in war plants, the committee proposed their sale to private interests, but not if their use should over-expand production. The number of aircraft, aluminum, rubber, magnesium, ship, steel and pipeline plants retained for postwar defense output should depend upon the scope of such a program, the committee declared.

Precaution should be taken against flooding the markets with war goods and depressing prices and production generally, the committee said, and opportunity should be sought to sell such material abroad. Organization of a demobilization board to carry out the program was recommended.

## SUBSIDIES:
### *Opposed in Congress*

Although facing an expected presidential veto, the senate moved to join the house in outlawing government subsidy payments to reduce retail food costs.

Senate approval of Sen. John Bankhead's anti-subsidy bill was scheduled after rejection of Sen. Francis Maloney's amendment calling for the expenditure of $1,500,000,000 for subsidies this year, and Sen. Robert Taft's compromise proposal that the program be limited to $950,000,000.



Sen. Bankhead

Countering administration arguments that abolition of subsidies would threaten the whole anti-inflation program by leading to demands for wage raises to meet higher retail food costs, Senator Bankhead (Ala.) said that such subsidies would only save each family an average of 11 cents a day, and this at a time when incomes and savings are at record levels.



Sen. Taft

## OLD TOPIC:
### *White-Collar Wages*

Popular as a topic ever since the days of Charles Dickens' stringy Bob Cratchit, low wages for white-collar workers now have come under the consideration of a senate labor committee.

Regardless of general salary increases of 15 to 30 per cent for clerical workers and salesmen since 1941, current earnings of many groups of non-manufacturing employees remain relatively low, A. F. Hinrichs of the U. S. department of labor said.

Although a survey in small towns showed store clerks have received boosts of 15 and 25 per cent and bank tellers increases of 5 to 10 per cent since 1941, straight time earnings of many groups remain less than 50 cents an hour, Hinrichs said. This averages less than $24 for a 48-hour week, and earnings are even lower in some other occupations, Hinrichs asserted.

## SOUTHWEST PACIFIC:
### *Gain in New Guinea*

Joining hands near Saidor after more than a month of fighting through rugged jungle, Australian and American forces prepared to hinge northward toward remaining Japanese positions on New Guinea's eastern coast.

First Allied objective was the base of Madang, feeder point for the Japs' inland positions, then Wewak, oft-pounded air base from which the enemy has sent up planes to harass Aussie and U. S. forces operating on New Guinea.

On New Britain island to the east of New Guinea, U. S. air forces continued to smack at the major Jap air and supply base of Rabaul, and at the port of Kavieng on New Ireland to the northeast, also a center of feeder operations for barges stocking enemy strongholds in the surrounding area.

## CIVILIAN TIRES:
### *More Later*

Because requirements for military, bus and truck tires are expected to lessen later in the year, Rubber Director Bradley Dewey predicted an increase in supply for civilians after July 1.

Because of the restrictions on driving through gas rationing and the greater care being given to tires, the expected total supply of 18 or 26 million tires for 1944 should be sufficient to meet essential needs, Dewey said. Overall production for the year, however, is 6,000,000 below earlier estimates.

Although the synthetic rubber program utilizing alcohol and petroleum should hit peak production at a rate of 1,000,000 tons annually by August, the shortages of manufacturing equipment and high tenacity rayon cord for heavy duty tires is slowing up the whole tire program, Dewey said.

Up to July 1, there will be a monthly production of 1,000,000 tires, with 750,000 available for rationing and 250,000 kept in reserve, Dewey reported.

## RUSSIA:
### *Reduce Threat*

Russian forces whittled down the Germans' toehold in the lower Ukraine and sought to remove the threat of an enemy encirclement drive in that sector in major action along the 800-mile eastern front.

Stiffening German defenses slowed the Reds' push in the Baltic, with the enemy bitterly holding the threshold into Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Chewing deeply into Nazi lines before these states, however, the Russ forced the Germans to withdraw in many places to prevent entrapment from the rear.

Down at the southern end of the long front, strong Russian forces were beating the Germans back from the lower Ukraine, where they have been holding a long lick of territory at the back of the Red armies surging into prewar Poland. By rolling up the Nazi lines here, the Russ were removing the threat of a possible German thrust at the rear of General Vatutin's armies.

## RECONSTRUCTION:
### *Lumber Needed*

Some idea of the tremendous demand for lumber for postwar reconstruction can be obtained from Great Britain's inquiries for 3,000,000,000 board feet in the first year after the war for rebuilding damaged towns, Dr. Wilson Compton of the National Lumber Manufacturers association told the fifty-fourth annual convention of the Illinois Lumber and Material Dealers association. Normally, Britain buys 250,000,000 board feet yearly.

Although only 7,000,000,000 board feet of lumber are to be allocated for civilian use in 1944 for farm construction, war housing and repair and maintenance work, the supply may be cut still further by increased demands for boxing, crating and dunnage.

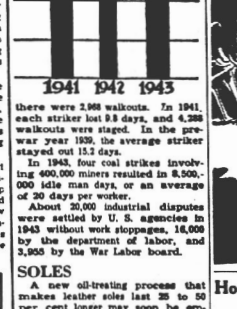
Each soldier requires 300 feet of lumber for packaging and other similar uses when shipped overseas, Dr. Compton said, and an additional 50 feet a month for supplies.

Exploiting war conditions by unscrupulously upgrading lumber is injurious to the whole trade in the long run, Dr. Compton said.

## STRIKES:
### *Up in '43*

Although 3,750 strikes were staged in 1943 involving 1,900,000 workers, their short duration resulted in only a loss of .07 of working time, the U. S. labor department reported.

Nevertheless, strikers were out an average of 7.1 days in 1943, compared with 5 days in 1942, when




there were 2,968 walkouts. In 1941, each striker lost 9.5 days, and 4,288 walkouts were staged. In the pre-war year 1939, the average striker stayed out 15.3 days.

In 1943, four coal strikes involving 400,000 miners resulted in 8,500,000 idle man days, or an average of 20 days per worker.

About 20,000 industrial disputes were settled by U. S. agencies in 1943 without work stoppages, 16,000 by the department of labor, and 3,955 by the War Labor board.

## SOLES

A new oil-treating process that makes leather soles last 25 to 50 per cent longer may soon be employed in manufacture of all civilian shoes. The army has required oil-treatment of its footgear since early in 1943.

Proponents of the process point out that treated shoes, by lasting longer, would ease the shortage in the new shoe supply. It is estimated that 180,000,000 pairs with oil-treated soles would give as much service as 250,000,000 untreated pairs.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**SLED:** The Russian army is using an improved sledge driven by an airplane propeller for its mobile machine gun corps. A machine gun is mounted behind armor plating.

**BASEBALL:** The American league baseball clubs will play 78 exhibition games in their spring circuit, according to tentative schedules. Traveling difficulties may curtail the program

**TOKENS:** More ration tokens will be needed than was at first thought, OPA officials indicate. About 2,000,000,000 tokens should be ready for release February 27, and the OPA is having another 200,000,000 made as a reserve. This supply may be increased to 800,000,000, it was said. A larger token, about the size of a quarter, with a value of five points, is being considered.

# Marine Sergeant Who Was King Of 12,000 Natives on Voodoo Isle

## Yank Was Believed Reincarnation of Faustin I.

By ROBERT H. MYERS

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(Through courtesy of THE LEATHERNECK, the magazine of the U. S. Marines.)

ONE dark, gloomy night in the year 1848, on the tiny tropical voodoo isle of La Gonave, black King Faustin I suddenly and mysteriously disappeared. Years crept by and King Faustin I was never heard from again, but a legend was born that some day a descendant of his name would return to rule this West Indies island.

Some three score and ten years later, in 1920, a creaky sailboat lurched across the choppy waters of the channel from Port au Prince and scraped up on the sands of La Gonave.

Bounding out was a strange collection of occupants; chattering black natives, bawling cattle—and Gunnery Sergeant Wirkus of the United States marines—whose first name was Faustin.

Thus was forged a link in one of the strangest stories that ever came out of this storied, superstition-bound island. For Faustin E. Wirkus, a blue-eyed, square-chinned Yankee from the state of Pennsylvania, who had never heard of King Faustin I or about his mysterious disappearance from La Gonave, and most certainly was no descendant of the ebony emperor, eventually was crowned King Faustin II and reigned virtually singlehanded over the 12,000 natives for nearly five years—between 1921 and 1925.

### He's Asked About "Queen."

He became famous as the "White King of La Gonave," and as he goes about more commonplace duties in the marine corps today, he still gets numerous inquiries about his years in Haiti; about the broad and beaming native woman, Queen Ti Memenne, who had chosen him to rule the island.

Queen Ti Memenne, of course, was not really a queen, nor was Wirkus truly a king, because La Gonave was merely a province of Haiti and under the administration of the Haitian republic and its president. But in the stormy little country had been the scene of a bloody uprising a few years before, starting in 1915. Marines had been sent in to settle it, and a picked number had remained to train and run the native Gendarmerie.

Gunnery Sergeant Wirkus was one of these men, and by congressional permission, was on detached duty with the Gendarmerie and held the rank of lieutenant in the force. Assigned to La Gonave, he was officially a subdistrict commander.

Today Wirkus is a warrant officer, in charge of the marine aviation detachment at the navy's pre-flight school at Chapel Hill, N. C. But to go back to those years of yesterday—

Soon after enlisting, he landed in Haiti with the first outfits of marines that went down to settle the trouble in that country. His was the old Twenty-second company, led by Capt. Alexander S. Williams, and his battalion commander was a man later destined for world fame, Gen. Smedley Butler.

### Five Years of Bushfighting.

Off and on for five years, the marines were busy bushfighting the treacherous "cacos," knife-wielding natives whose tactics were bloody if not successful. Wirkus engaged in many scraps—he killed seven cacos in one bitter engagement—and gradually gained recognition as an efficient and straight-shooting non-com.

Once in Port au Prince he took a handful of native gendarmerie and broke up a secret voodoo ceremony and captured the ringleaders. This he accomplished with not a man injured. Voodoo meetings were often hotbeds of trouble.

During these years Wirkus kept hearing tales about the island of La Gonave, 40 miles north of Port au Prince and about 200 square miles in area. Voodooism was rampant on the island, and fearsome were some of the tales. A white man, so it was whispered, was not safe on La Gonave. No one wanted that outpost duty. Ghosts and spooks, they said, haunted the place.

But Wirkus made one visit to the island and decided he wanted it as a sub-district commando. He scoffed at voodoo scare tales—and still does—and figured it would be a good place as a one-man job. Hunting and fishing were good, the climate was no barrier, and Wirkus was ambitious to make a name for himself as the key man in running the subdistrict. It was his responsibility to regulate travel and traffic, prevent smuggling, exercise control over the prison, enforce harbor and docking regulations, sanitation requirements, and see that lands were properly allotted and taxes paid.

### Natives Suspicious.

When Wirkus arrived on brooding La Gonave, he found the natives suspicious of all white men, which was hardly surprising. For years they had been exploited and cheated. Their lot was a poor one, to say the least. Wirkus set out to correct these conditions, and behind his success was a genuine affection for the native population. As sequester, or administrator, he not only handled his official duties, but went out of his way to help the people. He showed them better ways to till their lands, for the main industry was agriculture. He repaired their antique equipment and modernized it where possible.

Mothers were astonished but grateful when he came to their aid in bringing up their offspring. They didn't know it, but he bought a book, "The Care and Feeding of Children," to help him with such problems. He surveyed the lands and divided, eliminating bitter disputes, and he reduced taxes for some and boosted it for others, many of whom had enjoyed favoritism from corrupt local representatives of the Haitian government.

It took a full year for Wirkus to gain the trust and friendship of the islanders, and particularly Queen Ti Memenne. The "queen" was the leading figure in a group of matriarchal societies which dominated affairs of business and society on La Gonave. During his early months there, Wirkus had made it a point to humor the fat and friendly queen, and she soon began to accept his advice and help.

### Summoned From Queen.

One day Wirkus received a summons at his newly built home on the coast. Messengers from the queen delivered it. They were very solemn. The message asked that Wirkus hasten inland and up into the back mountain country to the queen's village of whitewashed mud huts. The queen very urgently wanted to see the young American, who was then not quite 25.

Wondering what it could be about, Wirkus accepted and started off on horseback. The trip up the mountain were crowded with natives, all heading for the queen's village. When he finally reached the village he was ushered, still somewhat mystified, into a dwelling especially reserved for him. It was late afternoon and the queen's emissaries informed him that his presence would not be wanted before Queen Ti Memenne until late that night. Already drums were slowly beating in the village center. Still wondering what it was all about, he calmly undressed and went to sleep.



Warrant Officer Faustin Wirkus as he looks today.

### Khaki-Clad Monarch.

Later the marine sergeant, dressed in his usual khaki and puttees, entered the queen's house, stepping into a tiny room. Squatting in close array on the floor were members of the inner court. Ti Memenne, barefoot and dressed in a gaily colored robe, sat at the front in regal fashion, her black face shadowy in the sputtering, vague rays of candles. Queen Ti Memenne must have been in her forties or more, and, while a friendly woman, she had a way of commanding and getting respect.

The marine found out why he had been summoned before the queen. He was to be crowned "King Faustin II."

"At first I thought it was just a way they had of telling me they liked me, but later it developed that Ti Memenne and her people were in earnest about the matter. They had discussed the thing for days, and had agreed to name me as their 'white king.'"

The ceremony, weird in many ways, lasted nearly three hours. Outside the drums rolled and pounded, all but drowning out the bleating of a young goat scared to the tip of his tail, which was brought into the royal chamber and offered up as a blood sacrifice.

Wirkus was seated on a small, short-legged chair, and at the queen's command, an attendant came from the next room bearing a heavy, ornate crown.

The new crown, you 'King Faustin II,'" proclaimed Queen Ti Memenne, and she placed the crown—the same crown, so it was said, that once had adorned the head of King Faustin I—on Wirkus!

"Two huge blacks then picked me up and carried me outside. As soon as I appeared the drums beat out the king's salute—four ruffles and three taps. I knew that this was no empty honor they were paying me."

### 'White King of La Gonave.'

Thus was crowned "The White King of La Gonave," a title that was to bring Wirkus, the marine, fame in many countries. William B. Seabrook made him the featured romantic character of his book, "Magic Isle," and later Mr. Wirkus himself wrote a book which he called "The White King of La Gonave."

With the fame, however, also came envy and jealousy from certain quarters. Haiti's president a few years later, Louis Borno, hardly relished the popularity of La Gonave's subdistrict commander, or the fact that a "king," official or unofficial, was in charge of one of his provinces. So eventually Wirkus was transferred to another West Indies station.

Before that happened, though, the adventure loving leatherneck proved himself a good and kindly administrator. The natives greeted him with "Bon soir, Roi," or "Good evening, King," and he was forever amused at the intense interest the natives took in his everyday affairs. Often they stood around his home, just to watch him dress.

As "King," of course, he had no more authority than he had before. In the eyes of his marine associates in the Gendarmerie, he was still merely subdistrict commander. He received no pay for his kingly title, and his stay on the island was as routine as before. To him, it was just a high compliment.

In 1925 Wirkus was transferred to another station in the West Indies. It was a sad occasion when "The White King of La Gonave" bade his people goodby. The natives lined the shores and cheered as Queen Ti Memenne gravely prophesied:

"Some day you will come back and rule the island of La Gonave."



## How a Handful of Devildogs, Armed With One Machine Gun, Slew 125 Japanese in a Three-Hour Battle on Guadalcanal

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Japanese troops rushed the barbed wire defenses and attempted to scale them with a bridge made of poles and cloth. For each man that fell it seemed there were two more to take his place. The Japs threw everything at the machine gun positions, including grenades, dynamite, and flame throwers.

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Economist Is "Flustered"

Kenneth D. Kerr, "flustered polyglot chemist," a B. F. Goodrich researcher, who helped develop the material that before the war was used in more than 300 different products, flustered his new name to wear.

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# 1944 War Deliveries Must Exceed '43

## No Relaxation Of Production Is Indicated

War deliveries in 1944 must be in excess of deliveries made in 1943 to meet essential requirements, and hence no immediate relaxation in our production effort is in sight, according to the war department. This forecast was made despite the fact that the production peak for parts of the program has been passed.

The war department explained that maximum rates of delivery and the maximum rates of productive capacity do not occur simultaneously. Much of the present production is on component parts and accessories which will go into completed guns, tanks, planes and other pieces of army equipment for delivery during the first half of 1944. By the same token, war production in the latter half of 1944 will be importantly governed by deliveries of complete products required in the first half of 1945. The requirements now foreseeable for 1945 do not indicate any major reduction in the production needed on military supplies, but a definite prediction that far ahead is impossible as the trend of the war in 1944 will of course importantly affect requirements later.

The war department pointed out that there would be considerable shifting in production in 1944 to meet changing war conditions. It also stated that readjustments are being made in the number of installations and facilities needed for army training purposes.

**Switch is Offensive.**

Many of the changes having a far-reaching effect on the war production structure are the direct result of all-out attack rather than defensive warfare. Other revisions clearly indicate that the tremendous job of providing original equipment for the army has been successfully concluded with future procurement leveling to a replacement basis.

Production is being retarded, and in some instances halted completely, on war materials which were critically needed two years ago, or even a year ago, the war department announced. Production of other materials, however, must be speeded up to meet new and changing demands of the many battlefronts.

The production of heavy trucks, needed as our supply lines lengthen, is now going upward, and the huge army aircraft program continues to grow, with total production next year scheduled for 75 per cent more than this year's dollar volume.

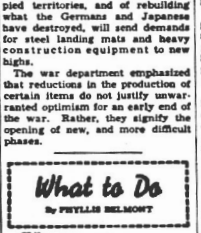
Demands of the growing air fleets, and of our swift-moving divisions, sent production for signal corps equipment upward 80 per cent from January levels to November with further increase in prospect.

The requirements for new bases and bridgeheads in recently occupied territories, and of rebuilding what the Germans and Japanese have destroyed, will send demands for steel landing mats and heavy construction equipment to new highs.

The war department emphasized that reductions in the production of certain items do not justify unwarranted optimism for an early end of the war. Rather, they signify the opening of new, and more difficult phases.

## What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



The art of conversation is very important to all of us.

To be a good conversationalist several things are to be avoided. Don't ask personal questions, don't pry into other people's affairs. Always ask your listener's opinion on a controversial question. Disagree with him somewhat, but allow him to believe he has convinced you to his way of thinking.

Don't talk about your troubles, ailments or the like, but always show interest in your friends' troubles.

Cultivate a nice, pleasant speaking voice. This can be done by reading aloud.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## German Divers Recover Italian 'War Treasury'

STOCKHOLM.—Berlin dispatches said divers had recovered from a sunken Italian destroyer in the harbor of Venice 12 boxes containing several million Italian lira. The Germans claimed that the money represented the Italian war treasury, the dispatches said, and that the destroyer was sunk while trying to escape at the time of Premier Pietro Badoglio's capitulation to the Allies.

# Ration Tokens May Halve Shopping Time

## "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspaper—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

**MAKE-UP MAKE-OVERS**

That's a puzzler, isn't it? But we mean just what we say, 'cos this trick is all about the things you can do with your empty lipstick cases and compacts. After you have used up all your "pucker paint" and "dazzle dust" try these:



BOBBY PIN HIDEAWAY—Losing a bobby pin is a major calamity for a teen these days, so use an empty (and cleaned out) lipstick case as a bobby pin container. If you want to make it more decorative, paint it with nail polish. As if we had to tell you!

STITCHES IN TIME—Are you always popping buttons and running rips in your stockings? For safety's sake, take along a lipstick case filled with needle and thread. Very handy.

FBI STUFF—When you want to pass notes in school, just drop your lipstick case conveniently. The person who picks it up will find it contains a message (providing you put one in it). Very good way to pass the good word along. Whatever it is.

LIPSTICK MELANGE—Have you lots of old lipsticks with only the dregs left in them? Dig out the remaining rouge with a toothpick and melt it all together in a double boiler. When liquefied, pour mixture into a lipstick case and allow to harden. You have a new lipstick—and in an exclusive, custom made color!

LOVELORN LOCKETS—Old compacts make wonderful lockets for your O. A. O.'s pictures. Wear them on a ribbon around your neck; pin them to your lapel or open them and stand them up on your bureau as a double picture frame. Paste one photo over the mirror, paste the other in the compartment for powder.

**ON THE RECORD**

Show me the teen who doesn't like to play the platters on the phonograph and we'll show you a black horse that's white! Or verse-visa: Here are some tricks that will sway canned swing addicts.

WALL FLOWERS—Not the kind you mean. Paste pictures of your favorite band leaders and singers on old records and hang them around your bedroom walls. You can slip a cord through the center hole, or, if the record is scratched and nicked beyond use, burn a hole through the top with a hot ice pick.

PICK UP THE PIECES—When one of your pals breaks your favorite record, pick up the pieces and string them into a necklace. Use the hot ice pick method to burn holes in each piece.

CASE HISTORY—Got an old book-case around? Use it as a record cabinet. Paste pictures of your favorite band leaders all over the outside.

TUNEFUL TRAY—A scratched, cracked record makes a grand pin or candy tray for your bedroom. Heat it until soft, then bend it into a tray.

## AMERICA IN ACTION

**FRONT LINE TOPICS OF CONVERSATION**

Front-line American soldiers who voice opinions on how long the war will last are rare, and few of them evince interest in anyone's views on this question, according to a report to the war department by Lieut. Col. Lewis A. Riggins.

Gleaned from 2½ months' observation of American army ground forces in Italy, Colonel Riggins' report furnished a broad picture of the life of the American soldier on the Italian front. He found that among the things which do interest the GI are the following:

Thoughts of Home: Troops are eager to hear whether civilians back home are getting enough to eat. They are interested in rationing, and specifically what foods are rationed. The possible return of prohibition is a live topic.

Food: Canned rations issued in the front lines are always material for conversation. Our troops like to use captured small German cook stoves. They have learned to produce a syrup for flapjacks by boiling certain types of hard candy in water.

Gifts: The most welcome is a pair of heavy wool socks.

Rumors: These travel at record speed. It has been discovered that motor parts are key places in the rumor route because drivers cover so much territory in the course of their duties. On one occasion a report that white bread would be available in the front lines the next day was intentionally planted at a motor park. Long before the bread was delivered, all troops concerned knew it was on the way.

Mail: Mail is being delivered promptly and read eagerly. Christmas packages generally arrived in plenty of time for the holiday. Stars and Stripes and unit newspapers are delivered to the troops along with rations.

Clothing: A clothing-rotation plan has been adopted which sends dry, clean clothing to the front lines for exchange. During an actual engagement there is, of course, little time for clean clothing, or hot food.

Weather: Temperature during recent weeks in the area in which Colonel Riggins was stationed stood at about 35 degrees. It was like "living in a wet icebox," however, because the rain let up "only a couple of times each day." Roads were extremely muddy, and where there was traffic the surface had been churned until it resembled "a chocolate milk shake."

Front-line "Emily Post": Front-line troops remain politely aloof from anyone not in front-line action. One simply does not "borrow" anything from the frontline soldier because he has lugged all his own equipment, water, rations and cigarettes, himself, and deserves to have full use of them.

Health: The physical conditions of troops is excellent. They are able to advance over terrain which appears impassable only because of their superior condition. For mountain fighting, troops should have a physical standard enabling them to march four miles in 40 minutes with a light field pack.

The Enemy: His fighting ability and thoroughness are respected. He will prepare as many as ten different fixed positions for tanks, firing and moving to alternate positions to keep from being "pin-pointed" by our artillery. Tanks will fire at a single man, apparently on the theory that more are probably nearby.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## New Plan Starts Feb. 27; Stamps Equal 10 Points

By ALBERT J. PUGNER

Beginning February 27 housewives of America will purchase food under a simplified rationing system that is expected to cut their shopping time in half.

A demonstration of the old and new systems was recently carried out in a large Chicago food store. Twenty women picked their purchases, then lined up at the cash registers. Ten surrendered ration points under the old system, and ten tried the new method.

Within five minutes, the new method had sent all ten women on their way. But it took over eleven minutes to accommodate the ten women using the old method. All purchases were similar in quantity.

The new system will affect the two major food rationing programs: processed foods; and meats, fats and oils. Three basic changes will be made. They are:

(1) Each red and blue stamp will have a point value of ten points regardless of the number on its face. (2) Stamps will be valid for 12 weeks. (3) Tokens worth one point will be given in "change."

Here's the way it works: A woman makes a meat purchase of 18 points. She surrenders two red stamps which equal 20 points and receives two red tokens back in change. Thus the shopper no longer has to tear out the exact number of points to meet her purchase requirements. Instead, she will use as many 10-point stamps as necessary and take the difference, if any, in token change.

Red tokens will be used with red stamps and blue tokens will be used with blue stamps. These one point tokens can also be used by themselves in making purchases and will be easier for children to handle than the stamp books. Tokens will be valid indefinitely.

Long lines of waiting customers due to last minute rushes before expiration dates will probably be a thing of the past. For these dates will definitely be scheduled far in advance. It is expected that family food budgeting will be easier, for the increased validity period of 12 weeks gives more planning time and, since all red and blue stamps are worth 10 points, they will be easier to figure.

It is expected that the food shopper will soon require only one book. With the new method, one book will do as much as two or three formerly accomplished. The number of stamps to be handled will be reduced from the maximum of 28 stamps now used each month, to the maximum of 11 stamps, under the new plan. Approximately 2 billion 400 million fewer stamps will be used each month.

The grocer also will benefit. At the end of a business day he will only have to sort the red and blue stamps. Clerical work will be reduced because he handles 60 per cent less stamps.

According to Chester Bowles, head of the Office of Price Administration, "Use of ration tokens should prove the greatest boon contributed to the convenience of the retail food trade and housewives since rationing began."

## Steak Special Plane A Wreck, but It Can Bring In the Bacon

Nearly every plane in the U. S. air force carries a pet name given it by the crews. Most of them have a waggish touch, like Old Baldy, Taxpayers' Reward, Crosby's Curse, Hey Mighty, Pudgy, or Jersey Skeeter.

There is one which is particularly apt. It is named Steak and Eggs Special, and it is exactly that.

This plane has a curious history. Members of a light bombardment squadron found themselves woefully short of the simpler pleasures of life when they moved up to New Guinea. While on the mainland they had acquired a taste for the Australian dish, steak and eggs, and after a few weeks on "corned willy" (American bully beef) and army stew, they decided that action must be taken.

Getting to work on the "graveyard," a crew of skilled aero-engineers and mechanics salvaged an A-20 with its wings and undercarriage missing, and the fuselage ripped open. Using pieces from 6 other wrecks, they constructed 1 complete plane, and, greatly daring, gave it a test.

It took off cleanly and showed remarkable flying qualities. Nearly every member of the squadron tested it, and six weeks after the work began it was ready for its first mission—a trip to the mainland to collect steak and eggs, bacon and other delicacies seldom seen in New Guinea.

For many weeks now the Special has been flying a regular transocean service with its precious cargo. It cannot be used as a combat plane, but pilots off duty use it for a flip across the Coral sea and buy up in a big way in the butchers' and grocers' shops on the mainland.

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## Nearest Jap ¼ Mile, Mile Marker Warns

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC.—A mile marker has been raised at an outpost in this war theater. It reads:

Washington—11,673 miles. (Arrow points east.)

Tokyo — 4,231 miles. (Arrow points west.)

Nearest Jap—One-fourth mile. (Arrow points to thickly jungled mountain.)

## ON THE HOME FRONT

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

WHEN we think of the type of curtains used in Early Colonial cottages, crisp frills and ruffles usually come to mind. It is true that ruffled curtains were used in Colonial times but the curtains of the first homes in the New World were of the casement or sash variety. We must remember that as late as the discovery of America glass windows were rare. They were of the casement type with tiny diamond-shaped pieces held together with lead. Simple straight curtains to keep out the glare and give privacy were the next logical development.




Frills and larger panes of glass came later but sash curtains were also used with these new windows. They are also being used with good effect today for rooms where an informal atmosphere is needed. In the dinette shown here the sash curtained windows are bordered with a set of colorful plates.

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NOTE—This is the first of a series on modern adaptations of period curtain fashions. There is another interesting treatment of a sash-curtained window in BOOK 3; and the method of lining casement draw curtains is illustrated in BOOK 6 of the series of 10 booklets on sewing for the home. Price of booklets is 15 cents each. Order direct from:

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# Folks You Know . .

Mrs. T. C. Stewart of Columbus, Ga., is visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Stewart.

Mrs. Daisy Ten Eyck returned to Avon Park Tuesday from Irvington, N. J., where she has spent some time. She is at her apartment at the D. B. Farnell home on Lake Byrd.

Mrs. Arthur Johnson, and Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Wirsching of Sebring returned home Thursday night from Miami, where they had been visiting friends for several days.

Lt. Jack Lyle of Lake Charles, La., is spending the week end in Avon Park with his wife, and baby daughter, Vallory Louise, at the home of Mrs. Lyle's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Armstrong.

Mrs. C. C. Murray of Washington, D. C., is visiting her brother-in-law, E. E. Murray and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bowers and Mr. and Mrs. L. Trowbridge, all of Elmwood, Illinois, were the guests Monday and Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lawhon and family.

Mrs. Bill Carter and daughter Miss Anne Catherine Carter, and son, Mansen, left Tuesday for Daytona Beach, where they will make their home.

Miss Dot Hughs returned home Saturday from Atlanta, where she had been the guest of her cousin, Miss Dot Davis. Enroute home, she visited her sister, Miss Gloria Hughs, student at Florida State College For Women at Tallahassee.

Mrs. Edwin W. Baker of Louisville, is the house guest of her sister, Mrs. J. O. Bridges and family. Mrs. Bridges and her sister spent last week in Delray Beach, where they visited their brother, J. B. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Knapp, who have been spending some time in Daytona Beach, are leaving there Sunday for their home in Danbury, Conn., friends here will be interested to learn. The Knapps formerly resided in Avon Park, and visited friends here this season, while they were in Daytona.


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## *Major Ray Young Writes of Trip Home to Chicago*

Excerpts from a letter from Major Ray Young, Chicago, Ill., written to the editor, will be of cordial interest to the many friends of the family in Avon Park. Major and Mrs. Young and their daughter, Miss Jean Young recently left for their former home in Chicago, after residing in Avon Park for some time:

"We had a very fine trip home, came via Augusta, Ga., Ashville, N. C., and then across the north route over the Smokies. Weather was ideal, roads fine, and got home with Florida air in all five tires. That road over the Smokies is surely a crooked one.

"Have had fine weather since we got home, but did have a real snow storm last Thursday, about 18 inches in our yard, and on top of that it started blowing and drifting. Some places the drifts were well over four feet high, but guess Chicago got most of the snow, as up in Wisconsin 250 miles, they have only about four inches. This snow is a godsend to the farmers as they were very deficient in moisture, and nothing to prevent the fall seeding. Had another light snowfall last night. Well, we are getting somewhat settled and the old home is beginning to look like home.

Jean has gotten into the swing of things at Wright Junior College, and so it is going smoothly for her. Regards to all our Avon Park friends. . . .



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## *"TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY"*

(BY RUSSELL KAY)

Speaking at the Annual dinner of the United States Sugar Corporation last week, President Clarence R. Bitting gave details of a diversification program for the Everglades that will cost nearly $20,000,000 and provide year-round employment for more than 7,500 persons.

Included in the development plan, which is already under way are various projects that will make immediate contribution to the war effort. These include starch house buildings that will cover six acres of ground and produce 75,000,000 pounds of starch annually; a water supply system that will provide more than 20,000,000 gallons of water daily from Lake Okeechobee, a quantity equal to the requirements of a city of 50,000 population, a waste disposal plant that will return to the lake a greater quantity and purer quality than that of the water withdrawn a few hours earlier, additional steam generating facilities to provide 100,000 pounds of live steam per hour, which will drive a new turbogenerator that will produce 85,000 KWH each 24 hours, thus doubling the existing capacity.

Bitting said some units of the present construction program will be ready for operation within 60 days and other units will be ready each succeeding month with power plant completing the entire program before the first of next October. Work has already been started on the water line from Lake Okeechobee, on various building units and on the 145 foot tower that will hold a quarter million gallons of water.

"Today," Bitting said, "the Everglades is entering a period of increasing value to the nation, indeed the area may well be said to be on the threshold of its opportunity.

"The promise contained in its opportunity will be realized by those who have retained the pioneering spirit which has made America great and will carry America to even greater heights.

"Demagogues," he said, "are wanting to make rosy but unfulfillable promises for the future. Here, in the Everglades, private enterprise has fulfilled the promise before it was made.

"The United States Sugar Corporation, its officers and directors have given long and serious thought to the future, we recognize the responsibilities resting on private enterprise to plan for the future and make such plans effective.

"We have not only planned for the future but we have carried such plans to the point of being made effective as soon as restrictions are lifted."

The sugar corporation is working closely with the veterans administration and its future plans call for the employment of as many ex-service men as possible. So great are the resources of this area and so limitless are possibilities for agricultural and industrial development that if allowed to do so, free enterprise could greatly expand its efforts and insure profitable employment for not only Florida service men on their return, but thousands from other states as well.

Travel restrictions make it difficult to get around and feel the public pulse and while I was not able to get into the back country I did have an opportunity to meet and talk with publishers, business men and civic leaders of the Lake area during my two days in the section.

Here as most everywhere else, you find little interest in politics. As far as the Governor's race is concerned, while you seldom encounter anyone who says he is going to vote for Lex Green, they tell you he is the man to beat and consider him out in front. The only other gubernatorial candidates mentioned here were Senator Ernest Graham and Millard Caldwell who both seem to have a following.

Some interest is being evidenced in the selection of the district's first congressman. Five have qualified for the race, Edgar G. Hamilton, Attorney of West Palm Beach, L. L. Stuckey, vegetable grower and business man of Pahokee, Frank Rawls, Ft. Pierce, Dwight Rogers, Attorney of Ft. Lauderdale and Peter J. Cunningham, West Palm Beach.

Stuckey, because he is a local man and recognized for his business ability is the favorite of this area with Dwight Rogers next, but most folks are pretty much fed up with lawyers in office and feel that what we need today is sound, practical, experienced business men of proven ability.


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# Improvements Shown In PT Efficiency Tests At Base

(From HIGH SCORE)

Starting Wednesday, February 16, all military personnel, officers and enlisted men in Base and Medical Detachments began workouts to determine their physical efficiency grades. 88th Bomb Group personnel started their tests Friday, February 11, and finished up last Saturday.

Physical efficiency test includes sit-ups, chin-ups, and a 300-yard shuttle run. The purpose of the test, according to Lt. Simon Schwartzkopf, Base Physical Training officer, is to determine the actual physical condition of troops at AFAAF, and to enable the Physical Training Department to properly classify and assign men to their respective classes in the three-hour week physical training program.

Results of the physical efficiency test will place participants in one of the three classes; excellent, good or poor. Those failing in the poor class will be required to undergo more calisthenics and guerrilla drills during their PT hour, while those participants whose grades place them in upper brackets will receive some calisthenics and drills, but the majority of their PT training periods will be devoted to competitive sports.

Final results of tests are not available as High Score goes to press. However, in commenting on the outcome, S/Sgt. L. L. Thurston said a decided improvement was shown over past tests given on the same type of test and believes the cause for improvement is result of T-C 57 exercises (very strenuous — Ed), personnel are required to take three hours a week.



**SIT-UP SUFFERERS — Straining every muscle in the middle section, all competing to qualify in one of the upper classes in the physical efficiency test, is Sgt. Vivian Fritz. Pfc. Wm. Blatt aids Fritz with his struggle by sitting on his feet to serve as an anchor. The average soldier can do about 35 sit-ups. Blatt seems particularly interested in Fritz's activities. When Fritz flashes, procedure will be reversed and Blatt will do the bending.**



**"CHIN" AND BEAR IT — Chin-ups gave AFAAF military personnel more grief and groans than any other portion of the physical efficiency test. GI on the left seems to have the situation well in hand, while the center soldier appears to be looking at the bar with disgust. In the rear are more participants waiting their turn to see what they can do. According to statistics the average soldier can do 8 chin-ups.**



**SUPER SHUTTLE SHUFFLERS — GI's are on the run testing their speed on the 300-yard shuttle run, a portion of the physical efficiency test which started Wednesday, February 16. All military personnel, officers and enlisted men, were required to participate in the program. Sit-ups, pull-ups, and the 300-yard shuttle run are component activities of the physical efficiency test.**

**HOG SLAUGHTERING EXTENDED THIRTY DAYS**

Livestock farmers will have an additional month in which to slaughter hogs without a permit or license and in which they may deliver any quantity of pork to persons not living on the farm, R. P. Howard, area supervisor of the War Food Administration's Office of Distribution, disclosed this week.

The WFA, he said, has extended to March 17th the period of non-restriction on farm slaughter of hogs. Regulations requiring a permit or license for hog slaughter, in effect since last spring, were lifted November 17th for a 90-day period; which would have expired February 17th.

Extension of the no-permit, no-license period, Howard said, has been granted to enable farmers to continue off-the-farm sale and delivery of pork at a time when production is still high and storage facilities are inadequate to handle the output.




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## Church Notes

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

W. D. Croft, pastor

Sunday School 10 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.

Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.

Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)**

Rev. John Ellis Daley, Rector

Services Sunday

8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.

11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.

Week Days

10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Sunday Worship 11:00

Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.

The Union Congregational Church wishes to announce that a nursery has been organized for children four or under during the hour of Sunday morning worship. This group meets at the Congregational manse directly behind the church. All are welcome to attend.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Training Union 6:45 P. M.

Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.

Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

**CHURCH OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMON)**

Branch organizations are established and regular Sunday services are held each week at the following places of worship:

Bradenton: Odd Fellow's Hall.

Fort Myers: Edison College Building.

Belle Glade: Women's Club.

Fort Pierce: Women's Club.

Chapels:

Miami:

Fort Lauderdale:

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For further information write, Elder H. C. Cunningham, Box 949, Miami, Fla.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

W. H. Magee, Pastor

Sunday School 10 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.

Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

V. P. Black, Minister

Bible Study 10:00 A. M.

Preaching 11 A. M.

Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.

Preaching 8 P. M.

Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.

Subject Sunday morning: "Things that hinder us in understanding the Bible."

Subject Sunday night: "Buy the truth and sell it not."

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**

Hoyt Tatum, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.: Sermon topic: "Christ and The Abundant Life."

Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.

Evening Worship 8:00 P. M. Laymen's Day Service: "The Church At Its Best.

Wednesday 8:00 P. M., Midweek service.

**CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**

"CHRIST JESUS" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, February 27.

The Golden Text is: "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him (John 1:18).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS" (Jer. 23:6).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Christ expresses God's spiritual, eternal nature. The name is synonymous with Messiah, and alludes to the spirituality which is taught, illustrated, and demonstrated in the life of which Christ Jesus was the embodiment. The advent of Jesus of Nazareth marked the first century of the Christian era, but the Christ is without beginning of years or end of days" (p. 333:9-13, 16-18).


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# Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

## Woman's Club Has Victory Tea on Friday Afternoon

A lovely affair of the season was the Victory Tea given by the Woman's club from three 'til five on Friday afternoon at the FPS Customer's Room. The affair was in honor of the service men from the community, who are serving both in this country and overseas.

Mrs. G. P. Thayer, president, presided at the business meeting when activities for the coming months were discussed. Mrs. C. F. Kenney, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, and Mrs. Ralph Herring were named delegates to attend the Golden Jubilee in Tampa in April 10-1.

The program opened with the minuet presented by pupils of the second grade in colonial costume.

Mrs. E. G. Todd gave a talk on "World Citizenship, Religion, and Peace," introducing a series of studies on countries which the club has planned to review." The series will include a study of the people, their customs, and religion, and has been chosen as a means of broadening the knowledge of club members about the interests of the countries in which the United States maintains armed forces.

Mrs. C. F. Kenney, assisted by Mrs. Earl H. Ware, opened the series on Friday with a comprehensive study of Iceland. Her talk included a map study that brought out many interesting facts.

Mrs. M. V. Pilcher's talk was on "Special Interests of Women in Peace," and portrayed to advantage the part the women of today play in the country's welfare.

TEA IS SERVED

The tea table, exquisitely appointed in crystal and silver, was overlaid with a lace cloth, in intricate design. The centerpiece was a crystal bowl, filled with beautiful white and pink camellias, flanked on either side by tall, white candles in crystal holders. Silver trays held dainty cookies. Mrs. R. H. Jordan poured. Graceful arrangements of lupin, wild plum blossoms, azaleas, and pansies were placed at vantage points, to further enchance the charm of the room.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many kind friends for their expressions of sympathy and kindly deeds tendered at the time of our recent bereavement.

The Family of D. G. Bryant.

## Mrs. Boardman is Hostess to Sans Souci Club

A lovely party of Tuesday evening was given at the FPS Customer's Room when Mrs. P. E. Boardman entertained members of the Sans Souci club, and additional guests at a dessert bridge. In keeping with George Washington's birthday, a red, white and blue motif was effectively emphasized in all of the appointments.

The table covers were in the chosen colors, and red, white and blue plates were used for the dessert course. Delicious pie and tea composed the delicious refreshments. Places were designated by small hatchets, which served as favors.

During the bridge games, scores were kept on clever little Uncle Sam hats. High award for the evening was won by Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, second high by Mrs. C. A. Boxall, and Mrs. G. W. Oliver received the guest prize.

Club members and guests sharing the hospitality of Mrs. Boardman on this occasion included Mrs. Freed Peden, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. C. A. Boxall, Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. Charles Sherman, Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Mrs. A. D. Potter of Montgomery, Ala., Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Peggy Woodall, Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr., Mrs. Charles Davis, Mrs. Viola Wilson, Miss Lynn Adams, and Mrs. G. W. Oliver.

## Florence Cope to Marry Captian McDonald April 9

The engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Florence Jane Cope, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Cope and Capt. James M. McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. McDonald of Hamlet, N. C., was announced Monday night at a family dinner held in the Cope home.

Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Cope and Miss Cope's grandmother, Mrs. Eva Norris. Places were set for 22 at a long table. The centerpiece was an airplane of spun glass filled with vari-colored sweet peas. The same blossoms were used with pansies as favors at each place. Bride and groom favors marked the places of Miss Cope and Captain McDonald. Tall white lighted tapers were placed the length of the table. One of the linen tablecloths was that used at the time of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Cope.

Miss Cope is a grand-niece of George E. Sebring Sr., founder of Sebring. Captain McDonald is a flying fortress pilot, who saw service overseas in England and now is an instructor at Hendricks Field. The wedding will be a formal event Easter Sunday, April 9. — Sebring News.

## Family Gathering at Dandridge Home on Thursday

A family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dandridge on Thursday, proved a most enjoyable affair for the group in attendance. The center of attraction for the dinner was a huge decorated cake, inscribed with the wording "Happy Gathering."

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Dandridge of Mobile, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Dandridge and daughter, Ebbie, Leesburg, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dandridge and son, Berry, Leesburg, Mrs. Myrtle Hill and son, Ralph, Avon Park, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dandridge, Wauchula, and Mr. and Mrs. Dandridge and their three children, Shirley, Jeannett, and Cecil.

Though they had been in Florida before, this was Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Dandridge's first visit to Avon Park.

## Raab Circle Has Luncheon Meeting at Pardee Home

The Raab Circle of the WSCS of the First Methodist Church, was delightfully entertained at their monthly luncheon meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the home of Mrs. S. C. Pardee. The table appointments reflected the St. Valentine motif, the centerpiece being an attractive arrangement of garden blossoms. Places were designated by small valentines.

Mrs. Raab, circle chairman, led the devotionals and presided at the business meeting in the afternoon. She also brought an inspiring message from the Bishop's Crusade.

Those attending the meeting and luncheon included Mrs. I. W. Chandler, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. Laura P. Rawlings, Mrs. E. K. Phillips, Miss Pearlow Anderson, Mrs. R. A. Craig, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. Jack Bentley, Mrs. J. D. Raab, and Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

The next meeting of the circle will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Johnson, with Mrs. C. F. Catlin, co-hostess.

## Junior Class Play To Be Staged Friday March 17

The junior class play, "The Late Mr. Early," will be presented at the high school auditorium Friday evening, March 17. Rehearsals are well under way for this laugh-provoking farce, which is being capably directed by Mrs. Anna Belle Worden. The play is written by the successful playwright, Richard Young.

Members of the cast are: Catherine Clark, Lillian White, Margie Flowers, Winifred Archer, Betty Lynn Helms, Velma Stewart, Margaret Harper, Morris Suggs, Alfred Engelmann, Ronald Trimpe, James Perdue, Sammy Longbottom, Edward Sturdivant, and James Philpott.

The play is based on an entirely new subject, and promises to be one of the cleverest productions ever staged in this locality, according to Mrs. Worden. She states that the cast includes some very outstanding talent, and that they are skillfully and enthusiastically working on their parts. From the opening to the closing curtain, one hilarious situation after another is devised.

## BPW Club Has Bridge Party Monday Evening

Mrs. Margaret Chandler and Mrs. H. C. Bigbie were hostesses to the B. P. W. club on Monday evening at a most delightful party, held at the F. P. S. Customer's Room. Florida orchids, in pastel colors, decorated the spacious room for the occasion.

In keeping with the George Washington motif, a patriotic note was reflected in the score-pads used in the bridge games. High and second high score prizes for the evening were awarded to Miss Millie Pearson and Mrs. Vera Garner.

The hostesses served delicious refreshments of fresh coconut cake and coffee late in the evening.

Those enjoying the party were Mrs. Wilma Peden, Mrs. P. E. Boardman, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Ike Hart, Mrs. Vera M. Garner, Mrs. T. J. McGinnis, Mrs. Bigbie and Mrs. Chandler.

## Jimmie Rowe Is Six Years Old on Thursday

Jimmie, son of Lt. and Mrs. Harold Rowe, observed his sixth birthday anniversary on Thursday, and to celebrate the occasion, his little kindergarten friends were served ice cream and cake at 11:00 o'clock in the morning.

The attractive birthday cake was decorated with six yellow roses and green leaves, with sprays of the yellow and green frosting encircling the outer edges. Favors were pastel cups filled with candies.

Jimmie was the recipient of a number of birthday remembrances from his young friends sharing the day with him. Mrs. B. M. Davis, kindergarten teacher, and Mrs. Rowe served the refreshments.

## Officers Wives Club Make GI Life More Pleasent At APAAF

(From HIGH SCORE)

Officers and men of APAAF owe a salute and vote of thanks to the Officers Wives' Club for their untiring efforts to make life more comfortable here, quietly and efficiently, ladies of the Club are working like eager beavers on projects designed to be of aid to all military personnel.

**One of their accomplishments is sewing bandages for Base Hospital.**

**Thousands of these medical necessities have been completed and turned over to that organization.**

Recently, Acting Club President, Mrs. C. H. Leighton requested suggestions from Base Commander Johnson through which the Club could be of greater service to military personnel. Col. Johnson listed several projects that he knew would be of benefit to the men stationed here and invited the Club to contact Capt. Edwin G. Struck, Base Special Service officer for complete information. Captain Struck supplied information and the ladies got to work.

**First, they opened their treasury and took out $700. With the money they purchased material and newed drapes for the Officers' Sub-Club in the Officers' Mess building. The Wives' Club also secured cash trays and sundry furnishings for the new room.**

Next they dug deeper into their vault of spare stuff and drew out $600 — a sizeable sum — out of which they have earmarked $100 for each of the six new Day Rooms located in various squadron areas. Club ladies have purchased more drapery material and furnishings that are not authorized in regular government expenditures for such projects. Twelve women are now sewing curtains for the Day Rooms. As the rooms are completed and furnished over to Base, the club women take over and put them in final order — add those finishing touches that make the rooms more homelike.

## Student Council Plans Further Activities

The Student Council met Tuesday, February 22, with Walter Martin, president, presiding.

The council is sponsoring a program, known as "The Glamour Birds." The admission is 10c for the first six grades, and 15c from the seventh through 12th grade.

The chairman of the home beautification committee reported the grades from each section. It was reported that Mr. Noland is giving a prize to the rooms that has been kept the cleanest.

Jack Rogers, chairman of the safety patrol committee reported that his work had been delayed until the street by the school is blocked off. Council Reporter.

## Cabbage is Victory Food Selection For Week Feb. 24th.

Jiggs may enjoy a 10-day "picnic" from February 24 to March 4, when cabbage (sans red-pointed corned beef) becomes for awhile the king of foods — a Victory Food Selection for the entire country.

The War Food Administration, according to R. P. Howard, area supervisor of the Office of Distribution, has designated cabbage as a Victory Food Selection for that period because it is abundant in all markets, and because prices are moderate.

The reason? Winter cabbage growers are moving to market a record-breaking crop of 515,000 tons — 52 per cent more than in 1942, and twice the amount of last year. About 30,000 tons will be dehydrated, and a like amount will be processed for kraut, leaving 455,000 tons which must go immediately into civilian consumer trade.

Housewives are urged by Mr. Howard to take advantage of cabbage's plentitude to supplement "can-opener" diets, and thus gain the full vitamin benefit of this green vegetable. Cabbage, he pointed out, is rich in Vitamins A (raw), B1, B2, C, B-6, and K.

## Rev. Tatum to Attend Meeting in Jacksonville

Rev. Hoyt Tatum, pastor of the First Methodist Church, will leave Sunday for Jacksonville, where he will attend a district-wide Visitation Evangelism, being held there through Friday. The meetings are under the direction of Bishop Arthur Moore, and are a part of the Centennial Celebration. Ministers from each district in the state will be present, twelve pastors from the Lakeland district being in attendance. Rev. Tatum has been assigned to the Jacksonville Church, of which Rev. C. R. Mingledorff, formerly of Avon Park, is pastor.

**The Board of Directors of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Building at 8:15 P. M.**

**All members invited to attend meetings.**

**J. Paul Garber, Secy.**

## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TOM W. DOBSON)

The basketball season ended for the Avon Park High School team with a victory over their arch rivals Sebring — and the score believe it or not was 14-8. No it was not a football game — but every time the guard on either team brought the ball beyond mid-floor — he thought he was playing football as he was hit from all sides. From a spectators angle the game was rough and the boys fought hard resulting in many spills and the low score. Coach Carter has now taken his fighting squad to the tournament and we sent him off with our best wishes to make a good showing.

Our clubs new bi-weekly program of activities is now off the press, and are available at the club. The USO Senior Hostess group will receive their copy in the mail. Several new features have been added — one of which is the drawing of Glamour Birds by Joy Postle on Thursday, March 2nd at 8:30. We are extending a public a cordial invitation to attend this feature. I understand that the High School will also make this feature available.

The Feature Movie to be shown at the club next Monday and Wednesday evenings at 8:00 is entitled, The Road To Zanzibar, starring Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour. I recall seeing this show several years ago, and can recommend it to you as one of the awesomest funniest flickers. The service men and their families are welcomed to attend.

Tuesday evening the George Washington Jamboree was held in the ballroom. At this dance session we actually had enough girls present to dance with the service-men present. The truth is that we had less men present as U. S. O. Show No. 1 was entertaining the Base personnel on the field. Still the dance was well attended, and all seem to have an enjoyable evening. Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. John Ready whose son, Phillip is a Sergeant Link Trainer at the Base — Chaplain Francis Stewart of the 88th Bombing Group; Mrs. S. S. Thayer and Mrs. H. C. Worden were the senior Hostesses in attendance. The door prizes were won as follows: for the ladies Miss Jane French of Frostproof — and the men Pvt. Joseph Randall of the Base.

In concluding I want to thank the many ladies of the community who have continued to serve the U. S. O. club so faithfully both in the Snack Bar and on our Information desk. Work like this is the main reason why this particular club is pointed to, by the National representatives who visit us, as being so successful. I want to pass along to you ladies of our Senior Hostess group some of the nice things that have been said about your work. Mr. Frank J. McGahren, Regional Supervisor and Mr. J. Francis Kelly were visitors here only today and were very pleased with the work of this club. These compliments are made possible only because of your continued support. We of this staff appreciate all you have done — and we will tell you more at your luncheon on Thursday, March 2nd. Won't you plan to be with us then?

## Births

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Berkowitz of Inkster, Mich., formerly of Avon Park, are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, who arrived Tuesday, Feb. 22. The little lady has been named Johnnie Lee. Mr. Berkowitz was an instructor at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, before going to Inkster. He is now in the ferry command, and is stationed at Romulus Field. Mrs. Berkowitz was Miss Lois Rish, prior to her marriage.

Captain and Mrs. Joe (Red) Stephens are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, who arrived Jan. 27 in Princeton, Kentucky. The little lady has been named Carol Ann. Capt. Stephens is now stationed on the Hawaiian Islands. He was formerly a member of the faculty and coach at the Avon Park high school.

## Dr. Charles E. West To Preach Sunday at Nazarene Church

Dr. Charles E. West of Intercession City and formerly a missionary to Africa and to China will preach at the Church of the Nazarene, West Main and Desoto Streets, on Sunday, February 27th at 11 o'clock. At the evening service Dr. West will bring a missionary message, at 8 o'clock. From a wealth of experience as a medical man on duty in foreign fields and as a minister of the Gospel both in the homeland and foreign fields, this truly great man of God, will bring to his hearers two messages, well worth any one's time, and not soon to be forgotten. Every one is cordially invited.

## Funeral Services For John B. Figg Thursday Afternoon

John Benjamin Figg, 87, passed away at three o'clock Wednesday morning at the home of his niece, Mrs. D. B. Farnell, with whom he made his home. Though he had been in declining health for the past four years, he had improved to a great extent, and had only been ill about a month prior to his death.

Funeral services were held at 4:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the Union Congregational Church, with the Rev. Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, pastor of the church conducting the services. Interment followed in Bougainvillae cemetery.

Casketbearers were G. H. Shepherd, J. Paul Garber, W. T. Hall, J. R. Bennett, C. R. Childs, Theo Weisheyer, M. G. Heubner, and S. V. Hunnings.

"Uncle John," as he was affectionately known by a wide circle of friends, was born March 22, 1856 in Cuddington, Buckinghamshire, England. He came to this country with Mr. and Mrs. Farnell in 1910, the family first making their home in Allerton, Illinois. Later, they moved to Florida, living in Kissimmee and Lake Wales, before coming to Avon Park in 1919. He was a member of the Union Congregational Church, and an honorary deacon of the church.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Dunn, a son, James Dunn, 11 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren, all living in England; two nieces, Mrs. Farnell, and Mrs. G. H. Nix, Washington, D. C., a great nephew, Ivor M. Farnell,and a great, great nephew, Ronnie Farnell, both of Tampa.

## F. DeANGUERA HAS OPERATION SATURDAY

Ferd deAnguera, who has been in ill health for the past several months, entered the Orange General hospital again last Friday, and underwent an operation on Saturday, according to word received from Mrs. deAnguera. His condition is improving, she writes and his physician thinks he can be moved to his home, 623 N. Hyer street, Orlando, before long. The many Avon Park friends of Mr. deAnguera, will learn with regret that Mr. deAnguera has had to undergo another operation, but are gratified to know that he is convalescing satisfactorily.

Their daughter, Miss Helen deAnguera of New York City, and son, S.Sgt. F. deAnguera Jr., of Ft. Des Moines, Iowa have been spending the past two weeks with their parents in Orlando.

## NOT EXPECTING

So far, we have not seen any announcement from that outstanding state politician" who was thinking of running against Col. Jim Lee for Comptroller, and, to be real truthful, we don"t really look for it, either. —THE HIGHLANDER (Lake Wales).

**BUY U. S. WAR BONDS!**

## Pepper Announces For U. S. Senate

Tallahassee, Feb. 17 — Senator Claude Pepper today announced himself a candidate for election to a second full term subject to the May 2 Democratic primary, with the following statement: "Believing that I can best serve Florida in the Senate, where I shall have at the end of this year more than eight years' experience, I shall be a candidate for re-election to a second full term in the Senate, subject to the Democratic primary of May second.

"Florida has long recognized the advantage of seniority in senatorial service. Senator Fletcher was in the Senate more than twenty-eight years. Senator Trammell more than twenty-one years. Thus Florida gained the advantage of their seniority and experience.

**GAINING SENIORITY**

"Only three senators available for the chairmanship outrank me on the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate which will, to a large degree, determine the kind of a peace we are to have after the victory, and whether we are to have World War Number III to curse another generation of our noble people.

"As a member of the Special Postwar Planning Committee of the Senate, of which Senator George is Chairman, it is my privilege to speak for Florida in the great effort we must make to change the Nation's economy from war to peace, and to prevent another depression with its tragic toll of suffering and sacrifice.

"Due to my membership on the Senate Committee on Small Business, Florida has a spokesman for the small businessman in Florida.

"As Chairman of a Special Committee of the Senate on Wartime Health and Education, I am able to give particular consideration to the problems of health and education in Florida.

## COUNTY AGENT RESIGNS

Arthur M. Bissett, county agent here for the past several months, has resigned to accept a position with Stewart Brothers, citrus and cattlemen in Bartow. The office of county agent as yet is unfilled.


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## Voting By Those In Military Service

Dear Editor:

Many of the men and women in the military services receive your paper. Will you help to get to them through your columns a little information. If they are of voting age and citizens of Florida and desire to vote in the primary they should write me for a ballot. Ballots will be ready to mail March eighteenth. The first primary is May second so there will be forty-four days to get the ballot, vote and return it.

I suggest any one desiring a ballot inquire of his or her commanding officer for a post card request form which is provided by the War Department and the Navy Department and send it in promptly. If the post card form cannot be obtained, a letter to me giving home county and making request for ballot giving complete address to which it should be sent will suffice.

It is also suggested relatives might clip this and send it to those in the service.

Cordially yours,

R. A. GRAY,
Secretary of State
Tallahassee, Fla.

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P. S. The absentee voting privilege under the state law includes "all serving in the land or naval forces of the United States" such branches thereof "and the Merchant Marine."


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# BLACK SOMBRERO

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT

WNU SERVICE

Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood artist, is cut off from the will of her Aunt Kitty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Barry Maddison, an amateur detective, and Stuart Rogers, a professional sleuth, go to Manzalan, Mexico, on a yacht cruise with Margaret and Dwight Nichols. Arriving there they find that Elsa and her party have preceded them by plane. They dine at the rancho of Elsa's father, Sam Chatfield, whom Rogers questions about his visit to his sister Kitty, in Los Angeles, the night she died. Later Sam Chatfield addresses his guests on the subject of Kitty's death, and asks that Rogers conduct an examination. Rogers cross-questions the entire group and discovers that each has a motive.

## CHAPTER VIII

"Thank you, Dwight. And you, Margaret?"

"Not guilty, Hunt," Margaret said with a smile.

Rogers paused as if debating the propriety of his next question. "You told me once, didn't you, Margaret, that you too might be said to have a motive?"

"Yes," answered Margaret frankly. "I was jealous of Kitty; she was out to take Dwight away from me—"

"Don't be absurd, dear," Dwight Nichols interrupted.

"I'm not, darling—"

"I had a motive," said Elsa impulsively, recklessly. "I hated her. I'd hated her all my life."

Sam Chatfield looked thoughtfully at his daughter and was about to speak when Berta, her white teeth flashing, her eyes moving almost roguishly, declared:

"I had a motive too, and Sam; the sister was inhospitable, insulting to us. Such a scene! It made something"—she pressed her plump, beautiful hands to her bosom—"something inside very—very mad. With both of us."

In this curious haste to confess motives, Rogers' face was full of interest; a faint smile played about his lips, his mild blue eyes shifted swiftly from one to the other of the group as each one spoke. After Berta had spoken silence fell upon us. Rogers remarked:

"All these things, of course, I've known. There remains only Reed Barton's motive." He glanced at Reed, who sat stiffly in his leather pantaloons, as if to ask permission for what he was about to say. "Reed has said that Katherine Chatfield can be blamed for his father's suicide—it was over a matter of some mortgaged property which could have been saved by a little leniency upon the part of the deceased.

"Now, then"—he paused, as if uncertain where to go from this point—"according to the estimate of the coroner's office, Katherine Chatfield died some time before midnight; discovery of the body was not made until about seven the following morning. Everyone here has a motive of some sort—perhaps even Chesebro has a motive. It would be odd if he were the only person lacking one. Until he can be questioned in this connection we'll not know definitely. Moreover, whether or not he was there that night—had opportunity—"

"If it's Chesebro you're talking about, Hunt, he was there," came the husky voice of George Rumble.

"There? That night we're speaking of? I must be certain."

"Sure he was there. I saw him come away."

"How about his going in? Did you see that?"

"No, I didn't. I'd walked down the street after I got thrown out, and when I came back by there, Chesebro was coming out. Perhaps you've noticed how he's treated me, Hunt—like a yellow dog—from the first time I contacted him. Well, I think that's the reason for it. He's acted like he was afraid of me, or that I might tell on him."

"That's interesting," said Rogers, rubbing the side of his large nose thoughtfully with a forefinger. "Our circle widens."

"I saw plenty of other things that night too. But they never meant anything to me until now, because I always thought the dame committed suicide. You put a different light on things, Hunt."

"Whom else did you see?"

"I saw Reed Barton," and he turned a meaningful glance upon Reed. "He was coming out just as I was trying to get in to hand her the bill for my work."

"But Katherine Chatfield was alive when you got in to see her?"

"I'll say she was alive; she was clickin' on all sixteen cylinders when I saw her."

"But you didn't leave the vicinity of her home after you—got thrown out? Is that it?"

"Right."

"Did you enter the house a second time?"

"No."

"How long did you stay around thereabouts? And why?"

"I stayed because I was mad, George,' I kept talking to myself, 'you got to cool down before you go in again.' When I get to talking to myself you know something is burning me. And that dame sure did. My apologies to you, Chatfield; she was your sister."

"Don't mention it," Sam Chatfield, absorbed in the conversation, roused to reply to Rumble. "I am aware that Kitty was a peculiar woman."

"How long did you hang about?" Rogers persisted.

"Oh, maybe an hour. Not right in front of the house, Hunt, you understand. I'd walk down to the end of the block and loaf a while then come back. About the second time I done that I see Mrs. Nichols get in a car standing in front of the house and drive off."

Dwight sprang out of his chair and walked over to Rumble. He seized him roughly by the shoulder.

"Are you accusing my wife of killing Kitty Chatfield?" he demanded harshly.

"No. I'm just telling what I saw that night."

"Don't, darling," said Margaret. "He may be right at that."

"May be right?" repeated Dwight, puzzled.

"Well, then, is right," said Margaret defiantly.

Dwight let go his hold on Rumble and straightened up, passing a hand across his face uncertainly.

"Who was it who ran out of the house, Margaret?" asked Rogers.

Margaret inhaled deeply of her cigarette, desperately striving to control her jumpy nerves.

"He didn't see me," she said. "He couldn't have known, I'm sure, that I was behind the drapery. I lost



Two men on the platform were doing the Coyote dance.

my courage; I couldn't go on with it. Talk with Kitty, I mean."

"Who was it?" pressed Rogers.

"I'll tell you who it was, Hunt," Rumble's voice replied. "I can see she don't want to tell. But the guy passed me down the walk a little ways, where a street light hit him full in the face." I glanced at Margaret. I thought that she was about to faint; her eyes were on Rumble, fascinated, hypnotic. Rumble took his time, realizing that he held the spotlight. Finally he said, "It was Reed Barton."

Dwight Nichols sat back with an air of relief, picked up a cigarette and lighted it, and filled his lungs with smoke. Margaret settled into her chair with a little sigh. I looked at Reed Barton. He was like a man bewildered. Suddenly he became aware that we all were staring.

"George Rumble is a liar!" he said quietly.

There was little or nothing left to be lugged out into the open that night. For a time Huntoon Rogers continued to explore skillfully into the hidden angles of what already had been revealed. At length Elsa interrupted.

"We're wasting the evening, Hunt," she said, getting to her feet and impishly rumpling her hair. "I'm quit and let us go outside. For from out of doors came the sound of music, of dancing feet, of voices lifted in song. The members of the household, even tired of waiting for the signal to start, were already trying their skill.

"All right, Elsa," Rogers yielded with a smile, "on the condition that I may question any one of you later, if it is necessary to clear up cloudy points."

"Of course," Sam Chatfield agreed. "And I thank you, Mr. Rogers. You've managed to throw light into several dark corners. If at any time I can be of service to you, please command me."

Rogers' reply was lost in the general movement of the group to the scene of the festivities in the open courtyard just beyond the patio wall where a low platform had been built over hollow jars to magnify the sound of the nimble feet and clicking heels.

"Oh, senora," Rogers detained Berta as the others moved out of the room.

"Yes, senor," Berta replied, pausing expectantly and looking up at the tall figure.

"This morning," Rogers began, "near the stables an old dog was put to death with chloroform. I was told that you gave the drug to the man for that purpose. Is that true?"

A blank look greeted Rogers' question. For a moment Berta continued to stare upward at her questioner.

"No, it is not true," she said suddenly. "I know nothing about any chloroform. It is unthinkable that such a drug would be on the rancho, senor."

"Thank you, senora," said Rogers, and he bowed to her.

George Rumble caught up with me as I strolled through the patio in the direction of the dancing platform. He put his hand on my arm and walked several steps with me before remarking:

"You know, Barry, Hunt's got me to thinking the same as he does. Somebody sure as heck croaked that old gal back in Pasadena. But why does Reed Barton want to lie about it? I ain't wrong. I'm not lying. I saw him; and I don't forget a face. He acted like he was scared to death—runnin' down the side walk. I think he got into a car down around the corner that night. Because there was one pulled out in about the time it would take for him to run there, get in and drive off."

"Anyway, George," I said, "it's up to you to prove it. Margaret says she didn't see who it was; Reed says you're lying. Who is going to believe you?"

"You know what?" George Rumble said emphatically. "I think the old lady was dead when Barton ran out of the house."

"You may be right."

"You know"—he paused, as we reached the grilled doorway to the open courtyard, "I'll bet I could run that thing down—find out who killed that woman." Someone passed us in the darkness, and Rumble reached out to detain him. "Chatfield, I was just telling Barry that I think I could figure out who killed your sister. I'm going to try it, anyhow."

"Well—I wish you success, Mr. Rumble," replied Sam Chatfield courteously. "Don't you want to come on out into the plaza now? I'll find you a seat. We've got some interesting dancers among the workers on the rancho. They are putting on most of the show for us. A few people may come out from town to join in or to watch, as they feel like it."

"Sure, we're coming. It's business with me. I'm always looking for talent. I never know where I might find something or somebody I can promote—like I have Elsa."

"There's a Yaqui dance just getting started. You musn't miss it."

Rumble and I found seats on a bench in an enlarged circle under the open sky. There was an air of festivity pervading the crowd. The air was heavy with perfume drifting down upon us on the soft night air. A burst of firecrackers startled the edge of the crowd, but that soon popped themselves out. The odor of cooking came from the kitchen where in the ruddy glow of charcoal fires women still were patting tortillas.

Two men on the platform were doing the Coyote Dance. To the beating of a flat drum, and the chanting of the lone drummer, the dancers, swinging lowered heads, their feet moving in an intricate sidewise shuffle, backed slowly to the rear of the platform. To a brisker tempo they galloped forward, only to repeat the maneuver over and over. Coyote skins stuck with feathers of the turkey, eagle, woodpecker and hawk hung down their backs. As the dance began to take on a monotonous air, Rumble wearied of it and got up from the bench. He disappeared. A moment later Elsa crowded in beside me.

"Did you just get here?" I asked.

"Yes," she answered in my ear, and pressed against me. I put my arm around her and we sat for some minutes while the beating of the drum and the chanting Yaqui voice went on.

"It's not the same person in Mexico, Barry, that I am at home. This is a man's country, not a woman's. So what does all my talk about economic independence mean down here, and finding myself, and running until things go dizzy inside of me? Was I being silly, Barry? Mexico gives me a sense of deeper, more fundamental things—"

"You're just being Elsa," I said. "Adorable as always, and desirable and lovely."

"Please, don't say things like that, Barry. I feel very contrite for my madness this morning. I went to just now to apologize to Jimmy the Cheese. Even though I still hate him enough to kill him, I thought I should apologize for my unladylike behavior this morning. It was very humiliating for me to have to beat him like a dog. And, honestly, I didn't know about his heart. That's what makes it so embarrassing for me now."

"And did you apologize?"

"He was asleep. I spoke to him but he was lying very quietly, and, oh, so bandaged! Did I do that, Barry? I came away without disturbing him. Probably the next time I'll not feel contrite and he'll never know that I want to apologize."

The dancing continued; the drum, the chanting voice, the dancers who each were now astride a long bow, which they beat, as they would flog a horse, with a split bamboo stick, as they shuffled nimbly and galloped about, began almost to weave a spell upon the spectators.

(TO BE CONTINUED)




## Air Engineers Get There First

*By Robert McCormick*

*(WNU Features—Through special arrangement with Collier's Weekly.)*

Aviation engineers in Italy are apparently just good little gremlins, scooting hither and thither, building airports where no airports should ever be built, and building them just at the time somebody needs them.

The men and equipment responsible for making the Salerno airdrome a decisive factor in the Italian landing were our aviation engineers, one of the least publicized units of the army air forces, yet one of the basic influences in every victory we've won so far in the Mediterranean.

**Aviation engineers, riding their bulldozers, go right in amongst the bullets, into the front lines, or ahead of them. Their main jobs are to build new airports in conquered territory, as they did exceedingly well in Tunisia, and to repair captured airports, as they did so nobly in Sicily.**

The big boss of the Aviation Engineers is Brig. Gen. Stuart C. Godfrey, a wiry little person who looks, acts and talks just the way you'd like to think all our generals do. General Godfrey describes himself simply as "General Arnold's engineer," but he is likely to end up the most important engineer in modern history. His title is Air Engineer, Army Air Forces.

As a sample of how Godfrey's men work, there is the story of how they built five airports in three days near Sbeitla, in North Africa.

Brig. Gen. Donald Davison, engineer commander in those parts, was looking for one of his companies. He started through a sector occupied by an American armored division. Officers stopped him, and asked him if he knew he was in the front lines, and headed right out into no man's land, beyond even the American's outer patrols.

**'Dams Fools' Are Up Ahead.**

Davison obviously did not know. The surprise on his face would have defeated a bomb. He asked the boys if they'd seen anything of a company of aviation engineers. The answer was quick and positive.

"Yes, we have," said one of the officers, "if you mean those damn fools who wouldn't pay any attention to us and took those big machines out. We think they're about 10 or 15 miles down the road."

**Finally Davison found his engineers. They had put in a few defensive guns, had dug themselves slit trenches, and were at work building an airfield right under the Nazis' noses.**

**In three days—three days is 72 hours of work to the engineers—the men built five serviceable fields and moved north 110 miles to the area around Le Ser, to grind out more 'dromes.**

The five-in-three deal was the result of careful planning and fast movement. The whole North African battlefront had been looked over from the air, and spots picked out which seemed generally favorable for landing fields. When it developed that a batch would be needed specifically around Sbeitla, the engineers again flew over the ground, choosing more definite locations.

Then the engineer troops, with their bulldozers and scrapers and shovels and all the rest of their equipment, went roaring overland, marching day and night, and they went so fast that they paid no attention to the fact that they had gone clean through the front lines. Or if they did notice it, they were too stubborn to care.

Their ability to build airports just one jump ahead of our combat airplanes is one of the big reasons we gave the Axis such a bouncing around in North Africa as well as in Sicily. By having airfields up front, we kept our air support constantly with—and ahead of—our troops.

**Air Force Has to Be Near Front.**

There could be no delays in bringing up our airpower. The tactical air force always had to get places ahead of our troops, to blast down enemy resistance before our troops arrived. The strategic air force had to reach deeper and deeper behind the enemy lines, hacking at the communications which the enemy brought up food, munitions and other supplies. Both groups constantly had to be as near the Nazis as they could get.

**This meant turning out airfields at an amazing rate. It meant flattening out barren mountains, filling in colossal mudholes, trying to hold down expanses of drifting, destructive sand. It meant using fumbling native labor, carrying special process equipment and airborne engineers hundreds of miles at a leap by air, and working night and day in bleak stretches of battlefields.**

That's what the aviation engineers are up against. Yet they conjured up airports so fast that the pilots never knew, from day to day, where they'd find one next.

# Washington Digest

## Status of Commonwealth Worry to Mother Country



### England Wants Closer Cohesion of Domain; Lord Halifax's Statement Opens Controversial Subject in Canada.

By BAUKHAGE

*News Analyst and Commentator.*

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

One of the most beautiful buildings in Washington is the Pan-American Union with palm-and-parakeet-ed patio, its great lily pond with an ancient Inca idol idly dreaming beside its waters.

But there is one valuable object d'art in the cellar, swathed in protecting burlap and excelsior which is not displayed. It is a chair which matches a suite of 21 others which stand around a great table in the hall of the Americas, each of which bears the seal of a Latin-American republic.

The chair in the cellar has the genial beaver, Canada's national pet, carved upon it.

The news is that that chair is threatening to burst out of its ceremens and walk on its four legs up the cellar steps to its place at the table.

Two men, more than any others, are responsible for the restlessness of this piece of furniture. One is tall, gray, dynamic Leighton McCarthy, Canada's minister to the United States. The other is Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

There probably never has been a time in history when the United States and Great Britain have been closer in thought and action, despite their multifold points of difference in peace time, than they are today. But, paradoxically, it is some of the points of difference that have brought Canada nearer to the United States than Our Lady of the Snows has ever been before. The United States very nearly occupies the position of an interpreter between the mother country and the domain on some points, but the great bond between the Yanks and the Canucks is probably the simple, common sense fact that we look upon Canada as Rudyard Kipling (who once almost became an American citizen) wrote, (making Canada the speaker):

"Daughter am I in my mother's house, but mistress in my own."

### *The 'Tentative'*

That is why so many people in Canada or the States were NOT surprised when the government in Ottawa and the Canadian press rejected politely but firmly what the diplomats call a "tentative" put forth by Lord Halifax, British ambassador to the United States a week or so ago.

That is why so many people in the United States and Canada who ponder such matters WERE surprised that Lord Halifax, undoubtedly with the advice and consent of that frequent visitor at the White House, Winston Churchill, broached the suggestion at all. The fact that Mr. Churchill said emphatically that Lord Halifax was speaking for himself, not the British government, merely proves—well, you know how diplomacy works.)

Lord Halifax had said:

**"But what is, I believe, both desirable and necessary is that in all the field of interests, common to every part of the Commonwealth—in foreign policy, in defense, in economic affairs, in colonial questions and in communications—we should leave nothing undone to bring our people into closer unity of thought and action. It may be that we shall find it desirable to maintain and extend our present wartime procedure of planning and consultation, which itself adapted and extended the methods we practiced in time of peace. The question admits of no easy answer."**

Now let me say at this point, if there are any Fenians or their descendants in the audience, who think I am stirring up anti-British feeling or echoing the anglophobia of the Colonel McCosmics, let them take no comfort from me. I am reporting the attitude of a lot of good and loyal subjects of his Brittanic Majesty whose sons are dying for king and country.

As the years passed, Mother England volubly but loosed the apron strings that bound her far-flung family to her. Willingly she bowed to Kipling's verdict and accepted the statute of Westminster, giving the dominions their autonomy. Now she wonders about that union which is necessary for her strength. She wants a closer cohesion of the Commonwealth. Lord Halifax made the suggestion, not officially, and with great restraint.

Earlier, Field Marshal Jan Smuts of the Union of South Africa had made a speech urging closer cooperation of the smaller European countries with the United Kingdom.

On the Monday following Lord Halifax's speech, Prime Minister Mackenzie King was questioned concerning its meaning in the Canadian house of commons.

King stated that he was sure the speech had been misinterpreted, that he had been assured that it was not the official attitude of the British government, but he also said it was "unfortunate." He said further:

"With what is implied in the argument employed by both these eminent public men (Halifax and Smuts), I am unable to agree."

Then he made this statement:

"In meeting world issues of security, employment and social standards, we must join not only with commonwealth countries but with all like-minded states, if our purposes and ideals are to prevail. Our commitments on these great issues must be part of a general scheme, whether they be on a world basis or regional in nature.

"We look forward, therefore, to close collaboration in the interests of peace not only inside the British commonwealth, but also with all friendly nations, small as well as great."

The Canadian press of all parties, I am told by Canadian officials here, showed a unanimity in supporting the prime minister seldom witnessed in Canada.

**This means that since Canadian interests lie in this hemisphere to a great extent, where hemispheric solidarity is essential to the welfare of all of the nations concerned, it is wiser folly to keep a perfectly good piece of furniture in the basement of the Pan-American Union that belongs at its natural place at the table. "Won't you sit down, Mr. McCarthy!"**

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### *Basis for Industrial Cooperation*

Quite aside from any diplomatic considerations, plain business men and others interested in hemispheric solidarity are considering a basis for Canadian-American industrial cooperation.

The Institute of Pacific Relations says that Alaska, the Yukon, Mackenzie Valley, northern British Columbia and Alberta constitute a vast area of potential economic development:

"Air routes to Alaska and the nearest sources of supply for military supplies, such as oil, lie through or in the Canadian Northwest. As an air route, the future of the Northwest is assured. Over it lie the great circle or near great circle routes and the economic routes between the densely populated regions of Asia and North America.

"There are mutual strategic and economic benefits in Canadian-American partnership for postwar development of the Pacific Northwest."

Exploitation of the natural resources in this zone can be developed and is urged through a close working partnership by the United States and Canada. This would require the pooling of information, technical facilities and the investment of private capital (not public funds). This is the type of industrial cooperation that has characterized the economic history of the two countries in the past. The comment continues:

"Apart from the great undertakings in joint defense and joint development are being carried out. Americans built the Alaskan highway; Canadians built the bases for the air route in parallels and serves. The highway was an assurance of the security of Alaska; the defense of Alaska was an assurance of the safety of Canada. The North Pacific Planning project is a striking example of international cooperation and of ordinary common sense. American and Canadian interests in the Pacific Northwest are joint and inseparable, they can be made to yield joint private profit."

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

The death rate for the first six months of 1943 was 11.0 per 1,000 population in the United States, about 3.8 per cent higher than for the corresponding period in 1942.

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With 450 million people to support, China has 210 million acres of cultivated land. The United States with 132 million people has 345 million acres of cultivated land.

The number of women hired by United States railroads increased 138.6 per cent for the year ending June 30, 1943.

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The latest poll of opinion by the Swedish Gallup institute said that 86 per cent of the people questioned wish Sweden to remain a monarchy, 6 per cent prefer a republic and 10 per cent are undecided.

Things to do




COMBINE crocheted medallions and morning glories to greet the springtime. Have this vivacious hat and matching bag to wear with all your spring outfits.

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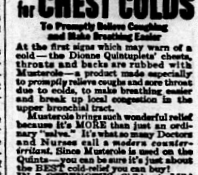
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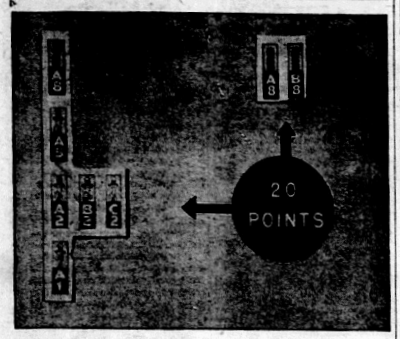
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# New Simplified Rationing Starts February 27




According to the new rationing system effective February 27, all red and blue stamps in book four will be worth 10 points each, regardless of the number on the face of the stamp. They will be valid for 12 weeks. Tokens worth one point will be given for change. Tokens remain valid indefinitely and can be used later for purchases. There will be two billion 400 million less stamps to handle per month.

*Top picture shows how new 10-point stamps will make it easier to count up points.*



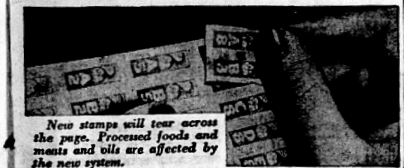

*Above: Store clerk gives the exact number of tokens to make change for the 10-point stamps. Red tokens are given in change for red stamps; blue tokens for blue stamps.*




*Longer validity of stamps will make household planning easier, and will prevent month-end crowding in stores.*




*This poster explaining the new system will be displayed nationally.*

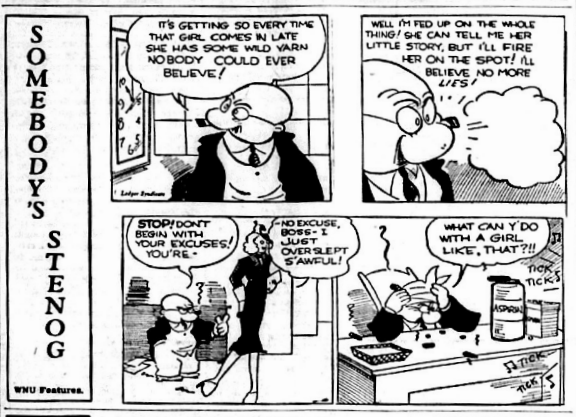


*New stamps will tear across the page. Processed foods and meats and oils are affected by the new system.*

# • OUR COMIC SECTION •









**IN THE ARMY**



Sarge—Why is it important not to lose your head in battle?

Rookie—Well, if you did there wouldn't be any place to put your helmet.

**Music Lover**

Latecomer—What's the orchestra playing now?

Neighbor — The "Fifth Symphony."

Latecomer — Good! I've missed four of them already!

**'A' Card Chick**

Driver—How about a little ride, Cutie?

Girl—Are you going north?

Driver—Yes, I am.

Girl—Good! Give my best to the boys in Greenland!

**HE DIDN'T SAY 'NO'**

May—Did you ask father for his permission to marry me?

George—Yes, dear.

May—What did father say, yes or no?

George—He didn't absolutely refuse, but he made a very severe condition.

May—What was it?

George—He said he would see me hanged first.

**Oh?!**

Harry—Are you still engaged to Jane?

Jerry—No.

Harry—Good! How did you ever manage to get rid of that sour puss?

Jerry—I married her!

**Depression Ahead**

Airline Official—There's only one thing that worries me when planes start flying around the world.

Second A. O.—What's that?

A. O.—We'll only be able to sell one way tickets!

**COINCIDENCE**



Jane—Well, no matter what you think about Sam, there's one thing I'll say for him.

Jean—What's that?

Jane—You don't notice his stuttering unless he talks!

**Conducted Tour!**

Bill—Have you ever visited a penitentiary?

Joe—Sure!

Bill—How long did it take you to go through it?

Joe—Close to five years!

**All for One**

Harry—My wife won five hundred bucks at the races yesterday and split with me.

Jerry—You got half?

Harry—No, she packed her bag and left me!

# PATTERNS
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ONE is just as cute as the other; both are ruffled, both button down the back. Little sister's however, has matching panties!

Barbara Bell Pattern No. 1899 is designed for sizes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years. Size 2 panties and pinafore require 2⅝ yards 35 or 39-inch material.

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Due to an unusually large demand and current war conditions, slightly more time is required in filling orders for a few of the most popular pattern numbers.

Send your order to:

SEWING CIRCLE PATTERN DEPT.
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Enclose 20 cents in coins for each pattern desired.

Pattern No..... Size.....

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## Battle Posts Below Deck

Few men on American battleships ever see their vessel in action because most battle stations are below deck or under cover. For instance, when the new USS Iowa goes into her first encounter, at least 2,200 of her 2,500 officers and men will be able to follow the fight only through the description of its progress broadcast to them over loud-speakers.

TRY OVERNIGHT CARE FOR MISERABLE COLDS—the way grandma did. She used mutton suet she medicated herself to relieve colds' coughing and muscle aches. Now mothers just rub on Penetro. Has base containing old reliable mutton suet, with modern scientific medication added. 25c, double supply 35c. Get Penetro.

Acid Indigestion
Relieved in 5 minutes or double money back
When excess stomach acid causes painful, suffocating gas, sour stomach and heartburn, doctors usually prescribe the fastest-acting medicines known for symptomatic relief — medicines like those in Bell-ans Tablets. No laxative. Bell-ans helps neutralize 25 times its own volume of acid. 24 tablets 25¢. Don't suffer! Try Bell-ans. 25¢ or double your money back on return of bottle to us. Sold by all druggists.

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LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

A Few Drops
Up Each Nostril Quickly Relieve
Head Cold Stuffiness
*Specialized Medication Works Fast Right Where Trouble Is!*
Grand relief from sniffly, sneezy, stuffy distress of head colds comes fast as Va-tro-nol spreads through the nose, reduces swollen membranes—soothes irritation, relieves congestion, helps clear cold-clogged nasal passages. Makes breathing easier—try it! Follow directions in package. VICKS VA-TRO-NOL

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DON'T LET aching muscles keep you off the job—if SORETONE can help. Soretone Liniment contains methyl salicylate, a most effective pain-killing agent. Soretone's *cold heat* action speeds blessed, comforting relief.

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For fastest action, *let dry, rub in again.* There's only one Soretone—insist on it for Soretone results. 50¢. A big bottle, only $1.

MONEY BACK — IF SORETONE DOESN'T SATISFY

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*Though applied cold, rubefacient ingredients in Soretone act like heat to increase the superficial supply of blood to the area and induce a glowing sense of warmth.

## RED CROSS

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percent" stickers will be given to those business houses all of whose employees contribute to the fund. The lapel tags this year are made of metal and portrey a flag with a Red Cross in the center.

The county's quota this year is $8,300 over last year's quota of $4,700. However, the county's receipts for the fund last year tripled the quota and totaled $13,617.42.

The 1944 quota of $13,000 is the amount the county needs to support its chapter plus the amount it must contribute to national headquarters of the Red Cross.

Before last year, the Highlands county Red Cross chapter had been subsidized through national headquarters; that is, it was not considered self-supporting. By tripling the quota set for it last year, the county proved that it could support a Red Cross chapter.

Money used by the Red Cross locally goes to pay for expenses of maintaining a chapter and staff here; loans to soldiers and money grants to soldiers; motion pictures each week for soldiers in station hospitals here; and miscellaneous items such as razors, combs and other articles hospitalized soldiers cannot buy for themselves.

Money sent to national headquarters is used for the work of the national and international Red Cross, which has become one of the strongest links between soldiers overseas and the civilian life they once knew.

Those persons appointed to the advisory council for the 1944 campaign are Mr. Garber, Mr. Brown, Mr. Ward of Avon Park; Mrs. Marjorie Chase and Jack Sims of Lake Placid; Lewis MacPherson of Avon Park Army Air base; Mrs. Denzil Mosteller of the Avon Park Air Base hospital; Willis Jones, Jr., of the Red Cross office at Hendricks Field; Lt. Marion Law of Hendricks Field public relations department; the Reverend James, Mr. Heacock, Mr. Rudasill, Miss Mallory, Mrs. George E. Sebring, Jr., Mrs. Charles Weigle, Miss Cornelia Smith, John Taylor, Gulgnard Maxcy, Miss Kathleen Bogle, and Miss Irene Ballard, executive secretary of the local Red Cross chapter.

## Post-War Survey

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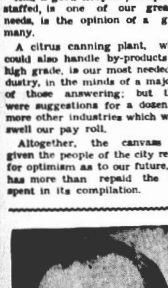
dresses, ladies' hats, ladies' clothing; and appreciable number want a really nice gift, curio, book and novelty shop.

An efficient steam laundry would pay, it is believed; " more and better movies" is a crying need, according to a considerable percentage; and another says there is a really fine restaurant, with opportunity to dine and dance, or to drive in and eat, or to listen to good music while dining.

And a good hospital, adequately staffed, is one of our greatest needs, is the opinion of a great many.

A citrus canning plant, which could also handle by-products of high grade, is our most needed industry, in the minds of a majority of those answering; but there were suggestions for a dozen or more other industries which would swell our pay roll.

Altogether, the canvass has given the people of the city reason for optimism as to our future, and has more than repaid the time spent in its compilation.



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## Nearly Million Dollars To Be Spent For Roads

Highlands county is slated to receive nearly a million dollars from the state road department budget for the coming year, according to information disclosed Tuesday at a meeting of Highlands county commissioners.

It would appear that the state is attempting to pull Highlands county out of the sand, as the figure proposed to be allotted for better roads in this county is nearly one sixth of the state's six million dollar budget for roads for the coming year.

There are six road projects for this county listed in the budget, for both paving and resurfacing, totaling $923,554.18. The budget will be presented for approval Monday when the state road board holds its annual budget meeting in Ocala.

The six projects, however, do not include repair of old road 67 from the Glades county line north to the intersection of State Road 8 at Lake Annie. N. B. Jackson was appointed to go to Ocala to the meeting Monday to see if state funds could be obtained for repair of Road 67, which is in his district. The road in bad condition, having been torn by increasing traffic of Army trucks and other heavy vehicles.

Budget allotments for the six projects in this county are as follows: Road 349, $3,000; Road 19 $498,731.27 and $346,153; Road 8, $900; Road 32, $70,541.55; Road 567, $4,228.36.

Work of grading already is being done on Road 349 which taps the Istokpoga muck area. This stretch of road starts three miles east of Lake Placid and extends east 3.5 miles. The sum allotted is $3,000.

Most of the money proposed to be spent in this county is for the new Road 19. The department already is contracting for one stretch of this which extends 12.127 miles north from the Glades county line. The sum allotted is $498,731.27. Another stretch on 19 for which paving is proposed and for which $346,153 is allotted extends 5.53 miles from the intersection of Roads 8 and 8A to Lake Placid.

The department now is contracting on repair of a 2.8 mile stretch on Road B from the Sebring city limits to Hendricks Field. The budget sum involved is $900.

Resurfacing of Road No. 32 from Avon Park to the Hardee county line, a stretch of 3.714 miles has been proposed, to cost $70,541.55. Contracting now is under way for a 7.07 mile stretch on Road No. 567 extending from Avon Park to the Polk county line. The sum involved in resurfacing this stretch of road is $4,228.36.

## CITRUS PRICES

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grapefruit, any district, 4.0 cents. Tangerines, temple and king oranges, satsumas, tangelos and clementines, all districts and all seasons, 5.2 cents.

The maximum price to any wholesale receiving point for all fruits except pink grapefruit is the f. o. b. shipping point price, plus freight from Homestead, Fla., including 3 percent transportation tax, plus 10 cents to cover protective services, such as icing, etc. The entire freight charge from Homestead and the protective service of ten cents is allowed regardless of where the shipment originates or whether protective service is used. Weslaco, Texas is used as the basing point for computing freight instead of Homestead in the case of pink grapefruit and with this exception, delivered prices for this fruit are computed the same as other citrus fruits.

The order which is effective Feb. 23 on f. o. b. shipping point prices does not become effective until March 9 for the fruit after it reaches markets. Sales on delivered basis during this interim will be governed by the present MPR 292.

After fruit reaches the markets, the maximum markups for wholesalers, distributors, commission merchants, and other handlers between the initial market receiver and the retailer are expressed in terms of dollars and cents rather than a percentage basis as is the case under the old regulation. The maximum markup is 75 cents for oranges, 65 cents for grapefruit and 90 cents for tangerines. A new price ceiling regulation for retailers is expected to be issued by OPA about the middle of March.

THERE is a practical joker in Berlin who apparently has a great respect for the royal air force, according to a dispatch to the London Daily Herald. On posters advertising the Berlin showing of the play "Queen of the Night," this joker scribbled the words, "In the title role, the RAF."

## For Re-election Lee Qualifies

TALLAHASSEE, Feb. 24 — (Special) — Confirming the generally expected, State Comptroller J. M. Lee qualified this morning with the secretary of state to seek re-nomination at the Democratic primaries in May.

In discussing the step with members of the staff of the office, assembled at a sort of birthday party for the comptroller, he remarked that while his employees that while they didn't have to vote for him just because they worked under him he'd sort of appreciate their help and went on to add "and another thing; you folks don't have to ask me who to vote for in any race. If you weren't intelligent and good citizens enough to use your best judgment for the best interests of the state you wouldn't be in my employ. Your devotion to duty and sound judgment in affairs between this office and the public will make it possible for me to be renominated, therefore I am asking you to continue your good assistance through another campaign. That's my only political request of you."

BUSINESS fell off when the customers of Bernard Koch, a Springfield, Ill., barber complained that lopped-off hairs were getting down their necks and all around. He bought a vacuum cleaner with a hose attachment small enough to slide under the collar, and now business is good.

"YES, I CAN GIVE MORE!"
BUY U. S. WAR BONDS!
INVEST IN AMERICA.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 300
AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE OFFICE OF SANITARY INSPECTOR OF THE CITY OF AVON PARK, FLORIDA; FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF SUCH OFFICER, AND PRESCRIBING HIS DUTIES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON PARK IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the office of Sanitary Inspector of the City of Avon Park, Florida, be and the same is hereby created. That the salary of such officer be and the same is hereby fixed at $150 per month, payable from the general fund of said City.

Section 2. That it shall be the duty of such Sanitary Inspector to inspect all meat markets, grocery stores, restaurants, hotels, eating places and rooming houses in or near the City, and vacant lots any and all other premises in said City, where unsanitary conditions are liable to prevail in said City, and to enforce any and all ordinances of said City heretofore and hereafter adopted relating to health and sanitation and to perform such other duties as may be prescribed for him by ordinances from time to time.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance is an emergency measure, it is hereby found and determined that the health and welfare of said City demand its immediate passage and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and welfare of said City and this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor of said City becoming a law without such approval and upon its being published one time in a newspaper published in said City.

Passed in regular session of the City Council of the City of Avon Park in the County of Highlands and State of Florida, this 22nd day of February, 1944.

C. P. ANDERSON
President of City Council
Attest: LUCILE A. SHOCKLEY
City Clerk

Presented to and approved by me this 22nd day of February, 1944.

E. A. DeLANEY
Mayor
Attest: LUCILE A. SHOCKLEY
City Clerk

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that E. W. N. Boosey 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. 564
Year of Issuance 1941
Description of Property — Lot 18, Blk 1, Lake Letta Subdivision, Per Plat Book 5, Page 70B, Section 31, Township 33 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed E. W. N. Boosey.

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

Unless such 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 March, 1944 which is the 6th day of March, 1944.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25

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

Certificate No. 566
Year of Issuance 1941.
Description of Property — Lots 1 & 2, Block 1, Sebring Gardens Subdivision, Plat Book 5, Page 4, in Section 18, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed Unknown.

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

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EPISCOPAL AUXILIARY TO MEET WEDNESDAY

St. Margaret's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church will hold their regular monthly business and program meeting at the parish house on Wednesday, March 1. A light luncheon, served immediately following the Lenten study conducted by Rev. Hollis Daley, will precede the meeting. Mrs. A. Thayer will read an article on "The Relationship of the Auxiliary to the Community." Members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of CLARA E. COY, deceased, late of said county, to the County Judge of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Such claim or demand must be in writing and must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant and must be sworn to by the claimant, his agent or attorney, or the same will become void according to law.

This 16th day of February, 1944.

CORA COY CANFIELD,
Administratrix of the Estate of CLARA E. COY, Deceased.

First Publication on February 18th, 1944.

Feb. 18, 25, March 3, 10.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1062

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

Certificate No. 738
Year of Issuance 1937.
Description of Property — W½ of NE¼ of Section 26, Township 35 South, Range 30 East. 80 Acres.
Name in which assessed — Unknown.

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

Unless such certificate 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 March, 1944, which is the 6th day of March 1944.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25

IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
IN PROBATE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933

In Estate of:
GEORGE F. SMITH, Deceased.
TO ALL CREDITORS, LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTEES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS IN ANYWISE INTERESTED IN 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 George F. Smith, 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 twelve months from the date of the first publication hereof.

You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney. Date of first publication, January 7, 1944.

FRED M. SMITH
Administrator of Said Estate.
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Mary C. Hancock 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 in the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 410.
Year of issuance 1938
Description of Property; Lot 20, in Section 33, Township 34 South, Range 29 East — 10 Acres.
Name in which assessed Harry Swank.

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

Unless such 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 March, 1944 which is the 6th day of March, 1944.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that E. O. Hunt, 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. 1040
Year of Issuance — 1940
Description of Property: Lots 27 & 28, Blk 8, in Sebring Park, Per Plat Book 1 Page 94, Section 4, Township 35 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed: Henry Krause.

Certificate No. 1021
Year of Issuance — 1941
Description of Property: Lots 13 & 14, Blk. 8, Sunset Point, Sec. Per Plat Book 1, Page 94, Section 4, Township 35 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed: J. D. Mitchell.

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

Unless such certificates 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 March, 1944 which is the 6th day of March, 1944.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1944.

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

Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25.

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE — Red and Copper skin sweet potato plants 1000 to 10,000 $2.00 up, 20-100 lots 5 Sea., 21201 N. W. 42nd St. Miami. Feb. 25 - March 2.

FOR SALE — Seven room house, 12 citrus trees; lot 92x150; garage; solar system. Route 1, Box 145.

FOR SALE — One saddle horse, broke and gentle. Red sorrel, two and one-half years old. $100. R. Sims, Box 682. Phone 169J. 1tpd.

WANTED TO BUY — 16s hen. Must be in good condition. E. E. Shumacher. 1tpd.

$700 — Buys nice stucco house, needs repairs; $2500, large lake front stucco bungalow, texture walls, oak floors. Terms. J. McCorkle, 225 Tulane Circle. (3rd past Coca-Cola).

LOST — Two-toned tan brussels wool boy's sweater. Reward. Return to Sun office. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — Two set books; "The New Students' Reference" (7 volumes); "The Art of Reasoning" (8 volumes). Mr. Drummond (next door to Roberts' Pressing Club.) 1tpd.

FOR SALE — 100 Pullets now laying, one or more; milk cows, three milking. Steers have not time to take care of same. E. C. Wever, 221 Tulane Circle. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — 30 Lincoln Ephyr; good tires; perfect motor, just overhauled; $200 cash. Write P. O. Box 277, Avon Park.

PERMANENT WAVE, — 50c! Do your own Permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment including 40 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely harmless. Praised by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. S. S. Thayer Jacaranda Drug Co.

FULLER BRUSHES, — Edgar Stauffer, 33 S. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Mar. 10

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS
NOTICE TO CO-PLAIN
HOWARD D. WILSON, Plaintiff,
vs.
CATHERINE A. WILSON, Defendant:

To: Catherine A. Wilson, Do

You are hereby notified that a Bill for Divorce has been filed against you in the Circuit Court, and you are hereby warned to appear in person or by attorney on or before the 6th day of March, A. D., 1944, or Judgment by default will be taken against you and the Bill of Complaint confessed.

WITNESS the signature of the Honorable D. C. Rogers and the seal of said Court this 6th day of February, 1944.

H. T. PIETTY, Clerk
By COLON DESSONG,
Deputy Clerk

MATTIE W. TOMPKINS
Attorney for Plaintiff
301 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25.

REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the registration books of Highlands County, Florida, will be open in each precinct in the county from Feb. 8 to March 6 for the registration of all those wishing to participate in the Primary Election, to be held May 2, 1944.

Those who have once registered in the Primary books do not have to register, but your name must appear on the books for you to be able to vote in the primary.

The books will close in the precincts March 6 after which voters may register in the registration office in the court house until the night of April 15, 1944.

The precinct registration officers who will have the books in their respective precincts are:

AVON PARK —
No. 1: Sun Office.
No. 1A: L. D. Roberts Pressing Club.
No. 1B: Harris Tourist Camp.

SEBRING —
No. 2: Yarbrough's Drug Store.
No. 2A: McAdams Service Station.
No. 2B: Registration Office, court house.

DESOTO CITY —
No. 3: Post Office, Mrs. Burch.

LAKE PLACID —
No. 4: McAuley's Store.

VENUS —
No. 5: Morgan's Store.

HICORIA —
No. 6: Mr. Shackleford, post office.

BASSENGER —
No. 7: Post Office, Mrs. Williams.

BRIGHTON —
No. 8: Post Office.

LORIDA —
No. 9: Post Office, Tave Waldron.

ROLAND X. DROIT
Supervisor of Registration
Highlands County

War Bonds should mean something more to you than just "a good sound investment." Figure it out yourself.

## Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $2.50 per week.

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.

DAN YOUNG

FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE
FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE
FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON BLIDER

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

F. G. GEARING

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announced opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

FOR CONSTABLE

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as Chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. B. (BOB) MASSEY

FOR CONSTABLE,
FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination as your county Judge. I will appreciate your vote and support, and promise you, as in the past, efficient, and courteous operation of the office.

THOS. A. MCNICHOLAS

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETTY

FOR STATE SENATOR

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be years of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare and advancement of the citizens I represent as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CHANCERY CAUSE NO. 618-G
BILL FOR DIVORCE
JAMES W. SAUCIER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ANNA M. SAUCIER
Defendant.
NOTICE TO APPEAR
TO THE DEFENDANT, ANNA M. SAUCIER:

You are hereby notified that on the 23rd day of November, A. D., 1943, James W. Saucier filed his Bill of Complaint in the above Court against you the nature of the same being to procure a Decree of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii.

You are hereby required to file your appearance to the said Bill of Complaint in the above Court on or before the 6th day of March, 1944 or judgment by default will be entered against you.

WITNESS the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, the undersigned of the Clerk thereof this 10th day of February, A. D., 1944.

H. T. PIETTY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court
(SEAL) By J. C. DESSONG,
Deputy Clerk
S. COLQUITT PARDEE
Attorney for Plaintiff.
201 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
February 11, 18, 25, March 3

BUY U. S. WAR BONDS — $$$
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# THE SUN

VOLUME XIX - NUMBER 16 — AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 1944 — THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 — THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 28, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1943


Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

Pvt. Floyd M. Johnson Jr. (Bud, as he is familiarly known) who has been stationed in Boston, has been transferred to Manchester, Conn. He is in the searchlight anti-aircraft artillery.

It is now Lt. R. C. Jarrett, Jr. Clyde, who is stationed in New Guinea, and who is pilot on a troop carrier plane, was recently promoted from flight officer to second lieutenant. Lt. Jarrett was one of the original members of Headquarters Battery.

Cecil Shipper left Wednesday for Miami, where he will begin his pre-flight training in the naval air corps.

R. P. Delaney, Jr., fireman first class, U. S. navy, now in the south Pacific, writes home to his family that he is "keeping awfully busy."

Cpl. Philip LaFlam, who has been stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo., has now been transferred to the Florida east coast, and writes that it surely is fine to be back in the Florida sunshine, after the snow and sleet of the Ozarks.

Pvt. Charles Lawhon, army air corps, who has been stationed at Miami Beach, arrived home Thursday night for a ten day furlough. He is being transferred to Augusta, Ga., and will go from here to his new assignment.

Odean Bishop — one of our girls in the service — writes from Avenger Field, Sweetwater, Texas, that she has passed her army check ride, and feels like she is "on the way" to getting those silver wings in the ferry command. She is flying an AT-6, and says she was told that after graduation the smaller girls, like herself, would probably be put on pursuit ships — and does she want to fly those P-38s? Odean is going through regular cadet training for a pilot's job in the Woman's Auxiliary Service Command. She's up to her neck in work, but she's coming through in fine style.

Australia, New Caledonia, New Hebrides, Guadalcanal and Fiji Islands, until a few months ago just a lot of far away places on the map, are now familiar spots to Pvt. Eugene Martin, Avon Park boy who has returned home Thursday, after spending 22 months in the Southwest Pacific. He was delayed via Texas for several months where he has been recuperating from Malaria fever, which he contracted in the tropics nearly a year ago. He is recovering, and expects to get back to active status in about three months. He is spending his leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Martin.

T. O. Goolsby, CB petty officer 2nd class, is home from the Aleutians where he has been for the past 18 months. He enlisted in Jacksonville 16 months ago. The Aleutians have all kinds of weather, he says, mostly bad. "That is one country where you can gripe about the weather and get a change in 15 minutes, not always for the better, however." he said. Snow, rain and fog combine to make hit for the weather. The temperature never went lower than 6 below, Goolsby said.

Pvt. Claude Furr, stationed at Tyndall Field, Panama City, visited his wife and baby daughter this week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cannon. Mrs. Furr and daughter are returning to Tyndall Field with him.

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**CHAPLAIN DICK BROWN GETS HIS DOUBLE BARS**

18 Feb. 1944

Dear Bill:

I promised to write you as soon as there was any printable news. Well, the big social event of the week was the party the 3d Bn held for one of its officers who got a promotion.

You may know the guy who got his captain's bars. His name is Brown and he comes from your town. Personally, I don't see how he rated it, but the Colonel recommended him, and the general put his OK on it, and who am I to argue with the colonel and the general?

The order came down yesterday, but it is dated 1 Feb., so I have been a captain two weeks and didn't know it. I am having a terrible time finding some bars. I have borrowed 3 sets, until I can find a place where they sell them.

The rest of the news is that we are working harder than ever. I haven't had a day off in 4 weeks. I hope to get one next week, but I'm afraid its only a hope. I don't mind much, except that I am tired and need sleep.

Regards to all. See you sometime.

Dick.

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CO: "Who brought you here in this disgraceful condition?"

Pvt. "Two MP's sir."

CO: Drunk, I suppose?"

Pvt.: "Yes, sir — both of them."

## Believed City Will Get 225 Housing Units

### *Representative NHA Said Would OK Such Project*

Following up on promises of "doing something" to relieve the acute housing shortage in Avon Park, the National Housing Agency sent a field representative here this week to check up on needs and make a recommendation. He made no definite commitments, but indicated that he would recommend the building of 225 units.

E. Bruce Wedge, NHA representative, flew here Tuesday from Miami, and met with Charlie Lanier, C. Parke Anderson and F. W. Spatz city housing committee, which recently went to Washington to get federal help in providing necessary housing. Major C. W. Roberts, public relations officer of Avon Park Army Air Field, represented the base at the meeting.

Of the 225 units which are expected to be secured, it was not indicated the type of construction that would be used. The committee originally asked for the building of 450 housing units, divided: 50 permanent dwellings of the better type, authorization for the citrus industry to build 50 cheaper type houses, and the balance to be units of a temporary type, which could be dismantled and moved after the war.

Meantime, every available room and house in the town and in all surrounding towns are filled to overflowing. Over 500 civil service employees work at the Range, and a good number of these are forced to live out of town, and ride long distances to work. Lack of housing causes a continual shortage of labor at the Range. This shortage is accentuated by the influx of seasonal labor to the citrus industry, and the moving here of families of army men, many of whom are unable to bring their families here as there are no facilities to accommodate them.

### *Football Players Awarded Letters*

Members of the '43 Avon Park high school football squadron and the cheer leaders received their letters at the chapel program Tuesday morning. Coach H. R. Carter made the presentations. The entire squadron were not awarded the letters, only those who had participated in a certain number of games. The letters are a white A-F with an outer edging of red, emphasizing the school colors of red and white.

Those receiving letters were Earl Varnes, Gene Clary, Jimmie Hetherington, Bobby Keller, Roy Clipper, Paul Rounds, Gordon Jenkins, Louis Cuthbert, James Creel, Jack Foster, Fred Montsdeoca, E. C. Wever, George Nader, J. C. Walker, Ricki Spatz, Tommy Thompson, Bill Hawkins, and Walter Martin, manager of the team.

Cheer leaders were: Dot Gribble, Garland Turnbull, Jean Young, and Larry Skipper.

### *Junior Class Play March 17, Tickets on Sale Next Week*

Tickets will go on sale next week for the junior class play, "The Late Mr. Early" to be staged at the high school auditorium, Friday evening, March 17. Mrs. Annabelle Worden is the popular director of the play, and says that from the opening curtain through the final act, one hilarious situation after another is developed. A splendid cast has been selected, and rehearsals are going forward each day, with everything shaping up for a spectacular performance on March 17. Remember to keep the date open.

**PTA TO MEET THURSDAY**

The March meeting of the PTA will be held at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the high school auditorium. Executive board meeting at 3:00 P. M. All members and visitors are cordially invited to attend the business meeting.

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**BUY PERRY HOME**

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wever and their daughter, Mrs. E. R. McClendon have purchased the former O. R. Perry home on east Main street from E. Ray Wells and are moving there to make their home. The family has been residing on Tulane Circle.

## Many Changes In Selective Service Operations Made

"The new preinduction physical examination procedure has caused many changes in the detailed operation of Selective Service" said Brig. Gen. Vivian Collins, the State Director, in a press conference today.

The physical examination by the local board examiner has been discontinued in those very few instances where the registrant has an obvious physical disqualifying defect. Generally speaking all registrants whose physical status may be determined, must have this status determined at the Armed Forces Induction Station. If found acceptable the registrant is returned to his local board to await his order to report for induction in accordance with his order number.

Registrants whose induction will shortly occur may be forwarded for preinduction physical examination prior to the time that they are placed in Class 1-A. This procedure applies particularly to registrants on Replacement Schedules. Employers should not be disturbed should one of their employees receive his order to report for preinduction physical examination prior to the time that he is placed in Class 1-A or is scheduled for release. This procedure is necessary to prepare the registrant for induction during the month in which he is to be released.

New procedure requires that preinduction examination be given all registrants who have been placed in Class 1-A by the local board and who have appealed from this classification, prior to the time that the file of the registrant is forwarded to the Appeal Board. If the registrant is acceptable the file is forwarded to the Appeal Board for decision as to classification; if he is not acceptable the local board immediately classifies the registrant in Class IV-F.

General Collins again urged that employers make every effort to replace registrants liable for service now holding essential positions with persons not liable for service, prior to the time that this registrant is reclassified.

Where occupational qualifications are approximately equal, non-fathers should be released before fathers are replaced. Employers find that they are unable to replace registrants now holding essential positions they should immediately file with the local board DSS Form 42-A, Request for Occupational Deferment, for those registrants now in Class 1-A, for whom request for occupational deferment has not been made. Evidence clearly showing the efforts made by the employer to replace the employee should be filed with the request. "Only employers who have requested occupational deferment prior to the time that the registrant has been placed in Class 1-A have the legal right to demand an appeal from this classification by the local board," said General Collins, "therefore it is essential that this request be filed immediately for those registrants in essential positions whom the employer has been unable to replace."

All persons are again reminded of the Selective Service Act which requires that the registrant or any person who has knowledge of any change in the status of the registrant which would affect his classification, report this fact to the registrant's local board," said General Collins in ending the conference.

### *Funeral Services For W. S. Pearce Sunday in Sebring*

Funeral services for William Sidney (Uncle Sid) Pearce, 78, son of Highlands county's first settler, and one of the most widely known fishermen in south Florida, were held Sunday in the Sebring Methodist Church. Mr. Pearce died at 5:30 P. M. last Thursday in a Sebring hospital. He had been in ill health for some time and had been in the hospital since February 1. The Rev. Perry B. James, pastor of the church, was in charge of the services. Burial was in Pinecrest cemetery, beside his wife and son, Clifford, who preceded him in death. Charlie Lanier and Cyril Baldwin of Avon Park were among the honorary casketbearers.

Survivors are two daughters, Misses Pearl and Edna Pearce, who with their father, lived on the old Pearce homestead near Sebring; four grandchildren and one great grand-child.

## Red Cross Drive Opened On Wednesday

### *Contributions Received at Bank; Avon Quota $6000*

Collections for the Red Cross war fund drive are being taken at the Barnett Bank in Avon Park as the 1944 drive for money to support the mercy organization got under way Wednesday. J. Paul Garber is chairman for Avon Park and he will be assisted by R. R. Brown. The Rev. Perry James of Sebring is county chairman and Guignard Maxcy of Sebring is county vice-chairman.

A goal of $13,000 has been set for this county to raise during the month of March. This has been divided into quotas of $6,000 for Avon Park, $6,000 for Sebring and $1,000 for the remainder of the county.

A week of intensified activity in the campaign will begin in Avon Park March 13 with a mass meeting in the school. This will be followed by a week of house to house canvassing.

Mrs. Laura Bacon, national Red Cross worker, will speak at the mass meeting. Mrs. Bacon has been active in establishing Red Cross clubs for service men in Algeria and Sicily in this war.

Under the present set-up contributors of $1 or more will be given membership cards; all contributors the lapel tag, and all those contributors who want them, the window and car stickers. The "100 percent" stickers will be given to those business houses all of whose employees contribute to the fund.

The 1944 quota of $13,000 is the amount the county chapter needs to support itself plus the amount it must contribute to national Red Cross headquarters.

### *J. C. Walker, Red Devils Forward Is On All-Ridge Team*

J. C. Walker, Red Devil forward, won all-Ridge conference honors at the conference tournament in Aburndale last Thursday and Friday. He was selected by vote of the coaches on the mythical All-Ridge Basketball team.

Others selected were: Berquist, guard, Mulberry; Hardiman, guard, Mulberry; Gerard, forward, Haines City; Whitington, forward, Haines city; Norton, Guard, Lake Wales; Obrien, center, Mulberry; Morgan, forward, Auburndale; Marker, center, Auburndale; Guritz, guard, Haines City; Long, guard, Sebring.

Haines City defeated Mulberry Friday in the finals, 30-28, in an overtime period, for the Championship. Mulberry girls defeated Haines City girls 30-28. Auburndale was third, Avon Park fourth, in the consolation. Avon Park was defeated by Haines City in the semi-finals while Auburndale lost to Mulberry.

The sixth district tournament is being held in Haines City Thursday and Friday this week.

### *Secretary Gray Announces For Re-election*

Secretary of State Gray formally announced his candidacy this week for re-election to the position he has held since 1930.

In his formal announcement, Gray said he would base his candidacy on his "record of service rendered in this important office. When I first began my service as secretary of state I adopted the motto 'prompt, efficient and courteous service.' With the full cooperation of my office personnel I believe the motto has been lived up to and the service rendered acceptable."

Gray has been elected to three full terms as secretary of state without opposition.

Gray is the sixth member of the cabinet to announce for reelection. The others are Comptroller Lee, Commissioner of Agriculture Mayo, Attorney General Watson, Treasurer Larson and Superintendent of Public Instruction English. Watson is the only member with announced opposition.

The deadline for qualifying for cabinet and other state and county offices is March 17.

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Mable: "What wartime occupation are you pursuing?

Sally: "Well, right now it's a second lieutenant.



MIXING MACHINERY — An assemblage of machinery resembling a Rube Goldberg drawing comprises the asphalt plant pictured above which is used in the reconstruction of APAAF runways. Sand and gravel are picked up by the drag pictured at right and deposited on a conveyer belt (mixture consists of three loads of gravel, two of sand) which pours the solid earth into the first dryer pictured at right of right smoke stack to extract moisture. As the mixture rotates through the drum it is carried to another revolving drum (between two smoke stacks) and from there goes into the top of the tower by another conveyer belt and flows into an assorting bin. Gravel is screened into one separation bin and sand into another. From there it is released into a lower bin where it is weighed by the control man pictured on first landing of tower and asphalt is added. The mixture then drops into an agitator box, and when thoroughly mixed is poured into waiting trucks to be delivered to the runways. The mixture is called asphaltic concrete. At the present time 1400 tons of asphalt concrete are being produced each day. The heavy smoke screen produced by the plant is a combination of smoke and dust. Wesco Contruction Company of Chattanooga, Tennessee, are the contractors.

(From HIGH BOMBS)

## Florida Fish and Game Opportunities Extolled By Field and Stream Story

**The almost unlimited opportunities offered to the fisherman and hunter in Florida are interestingly presented in the following article by Harold Titus, which appeared in the February issue of Field and Stream. The story is so good, we are reprinting it in full:**

**(By Harold Titus in Field and Stream)**

The boys who earn folding money in amazing amounts by telling the world about the relaxations, thrills and opportunities offered by the state of Florida have done such an inclusive job of coverage that, on first consideration, little of any originality or freshness remains to be chronicled in a series such as this. But when you have lived there, this impression vanishes. The publicity staffs, state and local, have indeed spread enough information to reach from here to there. Folders and booklets by the millions have been circulated. Space has been wangled in all manner of periodicals from magazines of the largest circulation and most elegant format down to the scrubbiest weekly newspaper. Radio and movies have been widely used.

And yet, in general, only part of the story has been told. Except in rare instances, the lads engaged in publicizing Florida's recreational facilities haven't been able to get away from salt water. They have stuck to the beaches rather well, on occasion getting as far as the outer reef on the Atlantic side or a few miles into the Gulf and let her go at that.

There is a reason for this, of course. It's all pay dirt for the press agent because it's pay dirt for the vacationist. There's a total of 7,000,000 acres of salt or at least brackish water under Florida jurisdiction, comprising one of the most varied productive fisheries on earth.

But it's only a part of the story of what Florida has to offer the outdoorsman. When you find a million folks doing salt-water fishing in a season, as you will in Florida, it almost steals the outdoor show. And when a state boasts — as Florida does — that in normal years a hundred thousand salt-water anglers will register in local contests, it means that the sport is tops among all sports.

On the other hand, Florida has fresh-water fishing that, for certain species such as large-mouth black bass, yields honors to no other locality. It offers the upland hunter quail and dove shooting of quality. It's a great wintering ground for ducks, and the annual reported bag — only a portion of the actual kill — will run well over 100,000. A couple of thousand bucks are taken each year by deer hunters. Even more wild turkeys are bagged.

The organization responsible for the future supplies of these species will earnestly assure you that things are looking better and better as years go on. Add to these items vast areas such as the Everglades and other great swamps, with their sub-tropical wildlife, which furnishes thrills to the simple observer, and you realize that maybe even the high-powered public relations staff have been overlooking a lot of excellent bets!

Just to make the record complete, let's enlarge on this matter of salt-water fishing. It'll be repetition for millions. It'll be old stuff for tens of thousands. But it can't be overlooked here.

In the first place, Florida lists more than 225 rivers, large and small, emptying into ocean and gulf. The bays and sounds at their mouths are, of course, brackish, and those waters form some of the greatest breeding and feeding grounds to be found anywhere. Just off-shore flows the greatest river of them all, the Gulf Stream, with its galaxy of star species for the angler.

Marlin, sailfish, tarpon, bonefish, dolphin, wahoo, kingfish, amberjack, barracuda, jewfish — those are just some of the important game fish along Florida's coasts. To go on with the list would get us nowhere. It would be longer than anyone but then some indignant reader would bombard the Editor with scathing rebuke for leaving out the one worth-while fish among them all! That's the way it is in Florida; the range of angling interest and opportunity is without visible limits. You name it, and they'll have it.

On the flats in Biscayne Bay, just south of the city of Miami, is some of the best bonefishing in the state, and there is unlimited opportunity for the lads who like flashy fighter all through the Keys. In the miles of inlets and rivers on both coasts, particularly the series of rivers just north of Cape Sable on the lower west coast — Shark River, Harney River, Broad River, Lostman's River — is found marvelous plug-casting water. Here the bait-rod enthusiast may take tarpon, ladyfish, channel bass, sea trout, crevalle and snook to his heart's content.

This snook, or robalo, is an exceptionally fine game fish on light tackle and somewhat resembles a sea-going muskie. He smashes a plug with great gusto and, when hooked, puts up a fine fight, spending a good deal of his time in the air. It is to be hoped that this fish can be placed on the game-fish list and given at least partial protection, as its custom of schooling during the spawning season makes it an easy mark for crews of seiners.

The season, of course, is long. Year-round for scores of fishes. From December through April for all the best of them, with some of their ranges changing with the seasons. The methods of fishing are as varied. Don't get it in your head that a charter boat is essential to salt-water angling, because for every guy who plants himself down in a comfortable chair in a luxurious cockpit at a high cost per diem there are ten or a hundred or maybe a thousand other lads dangling their legs off docks

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## Mail Deliveries Started Here On March 1st

### *Deliveries Once Daily to Homes; Twice Downtown*

City delivery was instituted in Avon Park Wednesday, March 1, when Avon Park's first two mail men, Byrum Shockley and William Bennett took over the routes that will be served. Families receiving their mail by carrier are expected to provide immediately either a mail box or receptacle of some kind in which their mail can be deposited.

Large mail boxes have been placed over the city for receiving outgoing mail. There will be one pick-up a day from these boxes; the mail will be picked-up twice a day in the business district. One pick-up on Sundays and holidays from all boxes. Mail will be delivered twice a day in the business section, and one each day throughout the remainder of the city. A two-cent stamp is required on all local mail.

Mail boxes have been placed at the following points in the city: corner Castle and Fairfield; Verona and Canfield; Verona and Connell; Canfield and Lake Verona Boulevard; in front of the post office; southwest corner of Butler and Main; northeast corner of Butler and Main; southwest corner of Central Avenue and Main; in front of business office at Woodruff Heights; corner Pleasant and Rest avenue; corner Lagrand and north Lake; corner Church and north Lake.

"People who live in the delivery zone are expected to receive their mail by carrier, unless they have a post office box," Postmaster D. G. Perry states. He also said that he hoped to have a parcel post delivery in the near future.

It is planned to assemble a city directory, and in that way, street and house numbers will be designated, whereby it will be an easier matter to ascertain where families lives and who are getting their mail by carrier or by box at the post office.

### *Wiley Sauls Enters Constable Race*

Wiley Sauls, grocery and service station operator, announces this week that he is a candidate for constable of the First District, turning this contest into a three-cornered race, with Thomas Wells and Police Chief Robert Massey in the other two corners.

Sauls has been successfully operating his grocery store at its present location since 1931. He came to Avon Park in 1925 from Georgia. He is a property owner, married and has five children.

Sauls ran for the office four years ago against Will Roberts, losing the race by less than 100 votes.

### *No Jackson Day Dinner; Will Ask For Contributons*

Charlie Lanier has been appointed county chairman of the Jackson Day committee by Governor Holland, and has in turn appointed an Avon Park Finance Committee composed of O. C. Wilkes, John Hood and F. W. Shockley. W. M. Hetherington was appointed publicity chairman.

Due to food rationing and shortage of labor at all hotels and restaurants, it has been decided to dispense with the formality of a Jackson day dinner. Instead, the committee will raise Avon Park's quota by subscription. The county quota is $300, of which Avon Park has assumed $125, Sebring a like amount, and the balance of the county $50.

### *Student Council Has Regular Meeting Wednesday*

The Student Council met Wednesday, March 1. Madge Pilcher, secretary, presided in the absence of the president and vice president.

Glenn Whitcomb, chairman of the Freshman Week Committee, submitted the rules of that activity to the council for its approval.

It was reported that the service flag has been ordered. Each star on the flag will represent a student or faculty member, who has entered the service. It will be placed in the auditorium at the high school. — Reporter.


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**AX ASSESSOR**
announce as a candidate for the office of County Tax Assessor in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I appreciate the support of the people of the county in the past, and will do my utmost to merit the confidence of my ability.
E. LANIER

**CONSTABLE**
announce as a candidate for constable of the First District, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. I am serving my fourth term as constable, and before coming here was a deputy sheriff. I am now in the service, and will do my utmost to merit the confidence of the people of the county in the past, and if elected, will do my utmost to merit the confidence of my friends and the people of the county by my ability.
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**CONSTABLE,**
**FIRST DISTRICT**
I announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, subject to the Democratic primary May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years and feel that I am qualified for the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.
THOMAS WELLS

**SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION**
I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I appreciate your continued support in my behalf.
ROLAND X. DROIT

**COUNTY JUDGE**
I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election as county judge, and will appreciate your vote and support, and promise an efficient, and courteous operation of the office.
HON. A. MCNICHOLAS

**CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**
I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the favor they did me in electing me to this office. When I became a candidate I stated I would adopt a policy of prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in my office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.
Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

**FOR STATE SENATOR**
I am asking my friends to offer me as Senator from the 27th Judicial District I do so with a full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to some of the counties in the district.
The next four years will be a decisive, if extreme important era in the planning of a post-war for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My home is a citrus grower, cattle raiser, merchant, as a county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and be able to render you real service. Tallahassee. I am not tied to any particular group nor obligation to anyone and, if I will work for the welfare and advancement of the citizens I will not be defeated, support and vote will be appreciated.
WILBUR C. KING

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY IN CHANCERY NO. 3811-C**
BILL FOR DIVORCE
W. M. SAUCIER
Plaintiff,
vs.
M. SAUCIER
Defendant.
NOTICE TO APPEAR
E DEFENDANT, ANNA M.
hereby notified that on the day of November, A. D., 1943, W. M. Saucier filed his Bill of Complaint in the above Court against you praying for an order granting a Decree of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii.
You are hereby required to file your answer to the said Bill of Complaint in the said cause on or before the 6th day of March, 1944 or judgment by default will be entered against you.
WITNESS the seal of the said Court this 18th day of January, A. D. 1944.
H. T. PIETY.
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By J. C. DESIONG,
Deputy Clerk.
EQUITY PARDEE
ney for Plaintiff.
School Building
Park, Florida.
ary 11, 18, 25, March 3

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# American Fleet, Planes Strike Truk, Major Japanese Naval Base in Pacific; Tighten Deferment of Farm Workers; Allies, Nazis Trade Blows at Anzio

(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.) Released by Western Newspaper Union.



**Italy**—The Nazis are throwing everything but the kitchen sink at the Allies in Italy. At left, Pvt. Edward Gasior, Michigan City, Ind., is shown with cesarean ball that the Germans rail down hills at Allied troops, and, at right, is big U. S. tank crippled by heavy enemy gun-fire.

## PACIFIC:
### *Strike Westward*

Two years and two months after the Japs' assault on Pearl Harbor, U. S. air and sea forces struck back at the enemy's own big Pacific base of Truk in the Caroline islands, central hub of Jap naval operations for their extended empire reaching into the Philippines and Indies.

Preceding the attack on Truk by several hundred planes operating from carriers shielded by a strong armada of battleships, cruisers and destroyers, long-range Liberator bombers plastered the other big Jap bastion of Ponape in the Carolines.

Centrally located in Japan's Pacific empire, both Truk and Ponape serve as a radiating point for enemy naval and air forces to operate against an attacking force while close to home stations. Loss of the Carolines to the Japs would mean loss of their advantage of operating close to defensive bases, and, vice versa, give the Allies the advantage.

As the Liberators took to their wings to plaster the Carolines, U. S. ground forces were putting the finishing touches to fighting in the Marshalls where small islet garrisons were being rooted out, and in the Solomons, where Allied landings to the north trapped 22,000 Japs holding out on Bougainville, Buka and Choiseul.

## FARM WORKERS:
### *Draft Shakeup*

Only those farmers who can produce 10 war units a year will be eligible for agricultural deferment, and the 700,000 farmers now in 3-C for dependency as well as occupational reasons, also will be reclassified and put into 2-C only if their work is essential.

More than 1,000,000 farmers are in 3-C, of which 400,000 are said to be single and under 22 years of age. With the 700,000 presently in 3-C, 1,700,000 farmers considered essential will be put into 2-C and given six-month deferments, with their cases again reopened at the end of that time.

Action on farm workers' cases followed general tightening up of draft regulations in the face of military demands for about 1,000,000 more men by July 1, with city dads no longer deferrable for dependencies and industrial deferments subject to stricter standards.

## RUSSIA:
### *Finns Talk Peace*

Russian troops made further gains along the Estonian border on the north end of the 800 mile eastern front, while reports indicated that the Finns were sounding out Moscow for peace terms.

As the Russ continued to chew into Nazi defenses below Leningrad, the Germans fell back to avoid encirclement from the rear, and each step backward found them closer to Estonia and the other Baltic states of Latvia and Lithuania.

Russo-Finnish peace reportedly hung on terms Moscow might offer, with the Finns receptive to proposals based on the 1940 border, but opposed to occupation of their military and naval strongholds by the Reds.

With the Russ again in possession of much of the mining region of the southern Ukraine, Finland remained one of the last sources of nickel for the Germans, and Hitler reportedly sought to prevent Finland's desertion of the Axis to protect these deposits.

## EUROPE:
### *Beachhead Battle*

With the sea at their backs, U. S. and British troops traded heavy blows with the Germans on the Anzio beachhead below Rome, as the big battle for the Eternal City raged.

While other Allied troops crawled forward up rugged mountain slopes about Cassino, the forces at Anzio fought with tanks on leveler terrain, countering the full weight of the enemy's famed panzer units.

In assaulting the beachhead, the Germans concentrated on the northern sector, 10 miles above the port of Anzio, through which supplies were streaming to Allied forces. With the area under fire of enemy artillery and bombers, Allied troops fought hard to keep the port open.

Bloody fighting continued on the Cassino front, with doughboys taking one by one concrete houses made into fortified pillboxes by the Germans, and other tanks struggling up monastery hill to gain command over Nazi positions and the supply road leading to Rome, which lay below.

## CONGRESS:
### *Ban Subsidies*

With congress voting against continuance of subsidy payments to reduce retail prices of meat, butter, milk and other food items, GOP house members served notice that if the President vetoed the bill they would attempt to make it part of the measure to extend price control after June 30, thus forcing the President to accept it or kill his whole anti-inflation program.

To assure continued existence of the Commodity Credit corporation in the event of a presidential veto of the subsidy clause, congress wrote in an emergency provision extending its life until permanent legislation could be passed.

In voting against consumer subsidies, congressional foes of such payments said they could only save the average family about 11 cents a day, during a time when national income was at an all-time level. Advocates of subsidies, however, said abolition of such payments would bring about a 7 per cent increase in the price of the foods affected, and a 3 per cent rise in the general cost of living, leading to a clamor for higher wages.

### *Bucks Labor Draft*

While congress was voting down consumer food subsidies, AFL President William Green told a senate military committee holding hearings on the Austin-Wadsworth labor draft that wage stabilization in the face of increasing living costs was the principal cause of strikes.



Sen. Austin

Said Green: "The way to prevent strikes is through upward revision of wage rates, or even more effectively, by rigid reduction and control of prices of the necessities of life."

While Senator Austin (Vt.) contended that a labor draft would reduce turnover in war plants and allow the War Manpower commission tighter control over job placements, Green said the act would amount to involuntary servitude, since civilian workers would have to take jobs in plants operating at private profit.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**HICCUPS:** A 21-year-old New York city girl, hiccuping for 44 days, appealed to the President to obtain a furlough for her physician, who is a captain in the army. She said that the doctor saved her life two years ago by a delicate operation when she was suffering from another prolonged attack of hiccups. The President granted a leave for the officer to treat her.

**CENTENARIAN:** George W. Camerer, a veteran of the Civil war, who now lives in Jerseyville, Ill., has just reached his 100th birthday. He said he "wouldn't mind joining the army and going to Africa if his feet would hold up." He has 10 grandsons, two great grandsons, and a granddaughter serving in the armed forces in the present World War II.

## WAR COSTS:
### *Cut by Army*

Because of industry's speed in developing production efficiency, and also because of the army's economies that savings he reported in reduced prices, costs of military goods have been cut by 30 per cent since 1941, Brig. Gen. Albert J. Browning, director of purchases, declared.

In all, savings have amounted to about $9,000,000,000, and an additional $4,700,000,000 will be saved in the first half of 1944, General Browning said.

Because the army has worked for lower costs through price analysis in the purchasing departments, better ways have been found to produce goods more efficiently and with less material to assure profit margins, General Browning said. In cases where costs were not trimmed there was no incentive on the part of management to cut prices, the general revealed.

### GOP Candidate

A 76-year-old Los Angeles, Calif., businessman has filed formal declaration of intention to become a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. Though she has never held political office, she said: "I want to see the President's job better done, and I can do it better."

## FUEL:
### *Gas From Coal*

With government officials warning of only a 14-year U. S. oil reserve at the present rate of consumption, Rep. Jennings Randolph (W. Va.) introduced a bill which the house speedily passed, calling for an expenditure of $30,000,000 on the construction of experimental fuel plants to obtain gas from coal, oil, shale and agricultural and forest products.

The U. S. bureau of mines' laboratory at Pittsburgh, Pa., already has developed oil from coal through a chemical process utilizing hydrogen, but costs have amounted to 16 cents a gallon, compared with costs of only 5 cents for getting fuel from oil.

Whereas U. S. oil reserves have been estimated as sufficient for 14 years, the bureau of mines said U. S. coal resources could furnish material for gas for 3,000 years.

### *Ask Foreign Sources*

America's Allies should reciprocate for our heavy drain upon domestic oil resources for providing petroleum for the Allied war machine by transferring a corresponding volume of proven reserves from their fields to the U. S. after the war, the Truman investigating committee declared.



Sen. Truman

Although the committee, headed by Senator Harry Truman (Mo.) said the development of foreign petroleum fields should be left to private interests, it recommended that U. S. diplomacy be directed toward supporting such a program.

### Bombing's Big Job

Nearly 60,000 men were in on the RAF's record 2,000 ton bombing raid on Mannheim-Ludwigshafen, which matched the shattering aerial blow at Hamburg, September 22, 1943.

Of the 60,000 men, 7,000 were flying personnel. About 4,000 men were required to load the planes with bombs.

The 1,000 planes used 1,000,000 gallons of gas and thousands of gallons of oil. Machine guns on the planes were loaded with 750,000 rounds of ammunition.

About 65 planes were lost on the mission, the 12th heavy assault on the German capital.

## ARGENTINA:
### *Political Battleground*

Having broken diplomatic relations with the Axis, President Pedro Ramirez of Argentina moved slowly before declaring war on Germany and Japan, since the country's military caste opposed such action.

Hints that Ramirez' foreign minister was considering a declaration of war against the Axis inflamed the military caste, known as the "Colonels' Lodge," and forced the president to dismiss his foreign chief and reorganize his cabinet to hold the different elements together.

As Argentina's internal situation boiled, pro-Ally General Arturo Rawson, who led the revolt against pro-Axis President Castillo last June, watched developments from Brazil, where he was reported under surveillance of Argentine agents for expressing strong pro-Ally sympathies, in opposition to Ramirez' policy of strict nationalism.

## SCHOOLS

If a choice must be made, the country child should receive a better education than the city child, because his future is more vital to the national life, Dr. Floyd Reeves of the University of Chicago told delegates to the Great Lakes Conference on Rural Education.

Dr. Reeves pointed out that migration from rural areas with high birthrates to cities with low birthrates maintains the population of the big centers. Cities would dwindle and die without this migration.

# New Revolution Stirs China as Farmers Learn Modern Methods From U. S. Expert

## Primitive Tools, Hand Cultivation Limit Yield of Tiny Plots

By BARROW LYONS
Western Newspaper Union Correspondent

**Probably no man has planned practical farming on so vast a scale as Dr. Walter C. Lowdermilk, assistant chief of the U. S. soil conservation service, who has just returned from a year in China.**

His plans envisage revolutionizing the agriculture of Chinese provinces the size of several states; of freeing several hundred millions of farmers from the soil so that they can build new industries for China; of seeding 30,000,000 acres of eroded hillsides with grasses, legumes and hardy trees; of educating the masses away from the farming traditions of many centuries through demonstrations of what can be done.

Dr. Lowdermilk has a record of solid achievement behind him. With other experts of our Soil Conservation service, he has helped American farmers increase the yields of their own fields. The average in-



FARMERS WATCH a demonstration in American agricultural methods in Hwang Lung Shan region of Shensi province. At first skeptical, they became interested when larger harvests proved superiority of Yankee ways.

creased yield in the last 10 years in this country, due to soil and water conservation has been about 30 per cent, in some cases running up to 300 per cent. It was this realistic demonstration which led the Chinese to borrow him for a year.

The basic reason China has remained a backward country is that it requires four farm families to support five families of the population. In the United States, one farm family raises enough food for five families—itself and four others.

Let's put it differently. In China 210,000,000 acres of cultivated land—and that is nearly all that China can find to cultivate—supports, after a fashion, about 400,000,000 people. In other words, less than half an acre per person is used to grow food for the Chinese. In the United States, 365,000,000 acres of cultivated land are used to support 133,000,000 people—about 5½ acres per person, or 11 times as much land per person for food as in China.

### Freeing Workers for Factories.

Better use of China's land for farming would free millions for other pursuits. China must industrialize. China can do so by freeing men and women from growing food.

When Dr. Lowdermilk went to China, the Chinese government gave him a staff of eight agricultural experts. For several months he taught them from field manuals in soils, agronomy, irrigation engineering,



WITH A BENT STICK for a plow, and two donkeys for power, this man turns the silty soil near Tientsin in southern Kansu province.

forestry, hydraulic engineering and farm economics, the methods by which the United States in recent years has made gains in soil conservation and productivity. Then they went out into the land and got to work.

One of their first surveys looked toward improving irrigation along the banks of the Peng river where it rups through fertile plains between high hills in Penghsien. The unit of land measurement in China is the "mow"—about one-sixth of an acre.



TERRACED SLOPES, built with much painful labor, are being ruined by erosion following cuts through the steep banks. This scene is in the province of Shensi. Dr. Lowdermilk is standing in the foreground, making a survey.

ing. The spring floods generally wash out many of the stones and wreck the diversion works, so that, on the average, only one-third of the area can count on a water supply each year.

Another 2,000,000 mow on the sides of the lower mountains consist of steep slopes, one of them 40 per cent slopes, which are cultivated, but suffering rapid soil erosion. About 2,000,000 mow are too high for agriculture, but are capable of growing forests, if properly cared for, and now produce abundant water supply.

### Concrete Highway Needed.

The farmers have cleared the intermediate slopes and are raising meager crops upon them. These slopes can be used for growing grass upon which sheep can pasture. But there is at present no means of marketing the sheep from the lower hills, or lumber from the higher hills. Concrete highways will be the answer.

But in handling the land surface the lessons learned from the Tennessee Valley experiment point the way to reclamation. Penghsien is to be a model guinea pig county for China. Dr. Lowdermilk and his experts laid the foundations for a vast reclamation of replacing loose stone diversion ditches with cement channels and making over the face of the valley so that its crops will never fail.

Near Sian, in the Province of Shensi, an actual demonstration was begun. Bench terracing that would conserve both soil and moisture was put in with improvised plows and tools; grass was planted along the



A BULLOCK DRAGGING a stone roller in the threshing machine for these people in Shensi.

ridges and crests to stop erosion; nut and fruit trees were planted on steeper slopes seeded with grass. Even an area of some 10,000 mow the yield was increased between May and October, and erosion was virtually stopped.

Chinese farmers from miles around watched at first with deep skepticism. But the fall when the crops were gathered, they came to praise—even to ask that similar work be done on their own farms.

### Three-Acre Farms.

One of the great handicaps to modern farming in China lies in the fact that farms are all small. The average farm in most of China is about 3.3 acres. In the Northwest the farms are larger—about five acres each. This means that modern machinery cannot be used economically unless villages can pool their land, and farm cooperatively.

This is the pattern that is being advocated by the Chinese government, and is beginning to find acceptance. As the tremendously increased efficiency and profit of the use of modern machinery become evident, there is no doubt that this type of farming will spread as rapidly as machinery can be obtained. (Farm machinery manufacturers take note.)

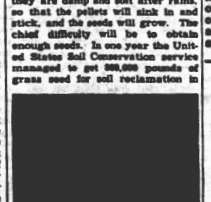
But there, resistance arises from the intense individuality of the Chinese farmer. He is even more independent and individualistic than the American farmer. He likes to work his little farm by himself without even hired labor, in most cases. When farmers try to work together, they generally get to quarreling, he feels. He is likely not to like the way his neighbor does things.

Just the same, when he sees the village next to his, which has adopted the new ways of farming, prospering as he never thought possible, he is moved to giving consideration to the advantage of cooperative action. Then, too, he has heard of the strange things that are happening in the cities, where cooperative industries have sprung up to make implements of war for Chiang Kai-shek's armies. And when he thinks about it for a while, cooperation becomes worth trying, although at first the barrier is an intense.

### "Bombing" With Grass Seed.

Perhaps the most spectacular of the plans developed by Dr. Lowdermilk and his experts is the project for reclaiming almost a third of China, which has been ruined for cultivation by deforestation and erosion. These intrepid pioneers propose that after the war, when airplanes and pilots become available, this land be seeded with clay pellets which contain the seeds of grass and leguminous herbs and hardy trees.

After the war the Chinese hope to drop millions of seeds upon the washed out slopes of China when they are damp and soft after rains, so that the pellets will sink in and stick, and the seeds will grow. The chief difficulty will be to obtain enough seeds. In one year the United States Soil Conservation service managed to get 800,000 pounds of grass seed for soil reclamation in



ANOTHER VIEW of terraced land from a greater distance shows the character of this type of cultivation. As much of China is hilly, this method must be used.

this country; but much more will be needed, if the job is to be done quickly in China.

### Cattle and Sheep Land.

Beyond the Great Wall of China, built to keep out the nomad tribes that wandered over the great grassy areas of the west and north, still other food possibilities are open for the Chinese. Here they can raise blooded cattle and sheep for beef and and mutton in great quantities.

So the program shapes up like this, 1. soil conservation through bench terracing and the planting of grass; 2. fruit and nut trees for the steeper slopes that should not be farmed with grain or row crops; 3. better irrigation; 4. reforestation of the mountains and development of water power; 5. improvement in fertilizers; 6. cooperative farming, which makes possible the introduction of modern machinery; 7. cement highways to make possible the exchange of products; 8 reclamation of eroded lands with soil saving dams and revegitation; and 9. beef raising for the grassy plains and sheep for the hillsides.

"I have utmost faith that the Chinese will do these things and solve their own problems," said Dr. Lowdermilk. "They are the best farmers in the world, in the sense that they understand the nature of growing things and are extremely hard working. Their government is led by men determined to rehabilitate their country and develop its resources, agriculturally and industrially.

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# Folks You Know . .

Mrs. S. Y. Hartt is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Keune in Miami.

Mrs. Bud Clark is inviting her mother, Mrs. Juanita Graves in Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bowman are leaving today for Tampa, where they will make their home with their daughter, Mrs. J. O. Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Willson left this week for Wauchula, where they will assume the management of the Wauchula Court Cabins.

Miss Gladys Glass and Miss Evelyn Henderson, accompanied by Ed Shubeyski and James T. Landress spent Sunday in Miami.

Miss B. J. Miller returned Sunday from a weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller in Lakeland.

Miss Gladys Glass left Friday for a weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glass in Lakeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baxter of Lakeland spent Tuesday here with the Patterson's daughter, Mrs. S. S. Thayer and family.

Miss Gwendolyn Wever, who has been employed in Ft. Myers has returned to her home in Avon Park.

Mrs. Blake Childress of Chicago returned home Monday, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Green.

Mrs. R. R. Porterfield returned home Sunday from Washington, D. C., where she had spent several days.

Mrs. Chas. Harris and young grandson, Charles Spence Harris spent Wednesday in Lakeland, as guests of Mrs. H. N. Spence.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr. and daughter, Nancy spent the week end with relatives in Zephyrhills and Gainesville.

Mrs. Cnas. Sherman is spending the week end in Miami with her son, Ensign Edward Sherman, who is stationed there at the naval air base.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sachsenmaier have returned to their home in Philadelphia, after a visit with their son, Bill Sachsenmaier and family.

Mrs. Robert Kramer and daughter, Lee of Winter Haven, are arriving today to be the house guests until Tuesday of Mrs. H. C. Worden and family.

Mallory Tillis of Clearwater spent the week end in Avon Park, and was accompanied home Sunday by Mrs. Tillis and their daughter, Diane, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Reddick for the past two weeks.

Sgt. and Mrs. Frank Waddell and the latter's mother, Mrs. Cora Wray spent the week end in Brooksville, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hinkley. The Hinkleys and the Wernickes of Brooksville, ask to be remembered to their Avon Park friends, according to Mrs. Wray.

Mrs. Margaret Chandler and Miss Chris Gill were in Sebring Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral services of W. S. Pearce, held at the Methodist Church at 2:30 o'clock.

Lt. and Mrs. Wm. H. Bewick and baby son, Bill Jr., of Columbus, Ga., who have been visiting Mrs. Bewick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Loomis for the past week, will return home today.

Lt. H. W. Johnson, who has been assistant exchange officer at the APAAF has been transferred to Camp Reynolds in Greenville, Pa. Mrs. Johnson and their son, Jimmie are remaining in Avon Park for the present.

Mr. and Mrs J. C. Still, who have been visiting relatives in Avon Park, have returned to their home in Fort Pierce. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Merle Landress and Mrs. Ralph Johnston.

Mrs. Max Wild, Mrs. Eva Nesbit and Miss Alice Davidson represented the Union Congregational Church of Avon Park, at the annual Chain of Missions held in Winter Haven last Thursday and Friday.

### GIRLS HAVE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES IN WAVES

Girls who enlist in the WAVES have an opportunity to apply for college courses in specialized work that will prove valuable to them when they return to civilian life, according to Mrs. Vivian P. Hartt, Volunteer Recruiter.

These courses are taught at regular accredited colleges that have contracts with the Navy. Among these colleges are: Georgia State College for Women, Iowa State Teachers College, University of Wisconsin and Indiana University. The Navy pays all expenses of this schooling while giving the girls full Navy pay. Upon completion of these courses they may qualify for petty officer ratings with pay ranging up to $230.42, or equivalent provided by the Navy, per month.

Women, 20 to 36, who wish additional information about the WAVES are invited to see Mrs. Hartt or to write the Navy Recruiting Station, city hall bldg., Tampa.

## Florida Fish & Game

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or jetties or other structures who wouldn't swap places with him, not even for the price of his charter!

Every coastal town is in the business of making visiting salt-water anglers happy. Facilities and the low-down on how to do it abound. If it's salt-water fishing you want, just get across the state line without even a hook to your name and ask the first chap you meet what to do about it. He'll know.

All these salt-water resources, including the commercial fisheries and sponge industry, are administered by the Department of Conservation under the supervision of S. E. Rice. But once you start upstream, another agency assumes jurisdiction. This is the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, which, after years of being batted around, has finally come into its own s a constitutional body of the state. The voters ratified the necessary amendment in November, 1942, and the political pulling and hauling which characterized the state's outdoor resources for altogether too long should now be forever a thing of the past.

The Commission is made up of five non-salaried appointees of the Governor, who serve staggered terms of five years. It appoints its own director, fixes bag limits and seasons, regulates methods of take and controls the game fund, which is derived from the sale of licenses. With the Legislature rests the responsibility of fixing penalties for violation of Commission orders and with setting license fees.

The Commission, as such, has been in existence since 1935, but until it became a constitutional body the sniping was steady and serious. All the time, too, the magnitude of the job to be done kept growing. For instance, in 1936 only 3,160 resident and 2,943 non-resident fishing licenses were sold. The next year both groups passed 13,000, and by 1942, 63,540 home folks had paid their fees, while nearly 17,000 outsiders forked over their dough. It just goes to show that a well-grounded administrative body pays on an actual dollars-and-cents basis.

On the inland fisheries item alone, the Commission has a big job to do. No county in the state is without its lake or stream. Lake County for example, claims over 1,400 named lakes. Fishing opportunities are around every corner. While the bream, perch and other species have their following, it is the large-mouth black bass that gets top billing here. Florida conditions seem to be ideal for both his propagation and growth. An example of what that growth can be comes out of the records of the United States Fisheries station at Welaka, where in late February, 1942, a batch of bass fry were planted in a pond and and in a little less than nine months measured from 11 to 12½ inches in length. That's getting toward the limber class in a hurry!

Hatchery operations are at the moment curtailed because of the war emergency. Normally, however, the state operates three plants and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service two, and from these nearly 2,000,000 fingerlings or better are planted in open waters annually. Recently an extensive program of predator fish control has been instituted, and a large number of the larger lakes have been seined to keep the rough and predacious fish populations within balance.

In game affairs, the Commission is only just starting to pitch. When Pittman-Robertson funds were first made available, the outfit was new, feeling its way, and Federal aid was just what it needed. The 1939 Legislature passed an enabling act with only two dissenting votes, but the man who was governor at that time saw fit to veto the measure, which set the game-restoration program back a flat two years. The 1941 session passed the bill over that veto in fine style and now Florida is making hay with the aid of Federal funds.

The first project undertaken was a quail-habitat restoration job in eleven northeastern counties. Three hundred land owners are cooperating and plantings were made on 368 farms in the first year, the Commission furnishing seed and fertilizer and the farmer doing the work. These plantings were made up of a total of 125 miles of cover strips along fences and field borders and 864 food patches. That was in 1941, and while it is still too early to gauge results satisfactorily the interest of the landowners is high, and that's half the battle in any move to step up population of farm-type game.

Another similar project, embracing eleven northwestern counties, was next launched. Nearly two hundred cooperators are in this one, and about 100 acres of food and cover plantings have been completed.

The quail, of course, is Florida's most important upland game bird. The ring-neck is out, this far south. Experimental plantings of chukars and other exotics have resulted only in failure, and the Commission has adopted the very smart policy of bearing down on management of natives and letting the foreigners go. The annual kill hangs right about a million birds a year, with almost every county in the state contributing its quota.

However, the local problem of quail management is varied. Naturally, the bird occurs in satisfactory numbers in much of the state's woodland as well as in agricultural areas. With the growth of the cattle industry, however, a considerable area of forest which once had yielded quail ceased to be productive. So the Commission — again with Pittman-Robertson funds — is acquiring land in cattle sections on which it hopes to establish islands of quail supply which will, in a measure at least, offset the inroads that grazing has made on the bird population.

Land acquisition is a major interest of the Commission'a. Purchase and development of areas ranging from 620 acres up to better than 60,000 acres have either been accomplished or are planned under the Pittman-Robertson program. In Charlotte County 33,-054 acres already have been purchased, and a five-year program calls for running this state ownership up to 64,000 acres. When the project has been rounded out, it will be used as public hunting grounds under game management.

The Florida deer situation is one of the most incredible in American conservation history. Ticks have been giving cattlemen plenty of grief. Native deer were supposed to be an aggravating factor in the situation. So, under authority of legislative acts in 1937 and again in 1939, the State Live Stock Sanitary Board began killing deer in six Florida counties. Up until December, 1943, something over 6,000 had been killed under these provisions.

But in 1941 this decimation of deer herds caused such an uproar that the Legislature appropriated $50,000 for restocking and placed the Live Stock Board had killed! The 1943 session made a similar appropriation. Furthermore, a Pittman-Robertsmn projects underwrites the trapping and transfer of deer from areas of abundance to those which are understocked. Slaughter of deer in tick eradication is over, the boys are paying for at least part of what they broke, and the Commission is hopeful that the board, under complete protection in some counties where tick-eradication work took its toll, is staging a come-back.

Florida is one of the few original turkey states of the Union where no stockpiying has been done with the native strain. The lads here insist that their strain of the magnificient birds is pure— not practically pure, but pure. Ever since 1935 the annual take has held over 2,000 birds, and in 1937-38 passed the 3,000 mark.

Vast areas of deep swamp have helped the birds hang on and even increase, and in recent years a number of large sections have been closed to all turkey hunting and kept closed. Censusing by conservation officers indicate, that in these sanctuaries the population is stepping up and spreading out. With the authority to open or close seasons or areas at will the Commission is in an excellent position to keep the turkey population up. Furthermore, the will to do just that is present.

As for waterfowl — well, the estuaries along both coasts of Florida, as well as much of its inland water, make swell places to set out decoys and see what gives 'em a look. Goose hunting is not at all bad, either, with an annual recorded kill of 700 honkers or better not so unusual. One of the pilgrants, however, has complete protection in Florida without the aid of any Federal regulation. That's the woodcock. The timberdoodle is on the protected list here, and that is just as well. This is a Northern breeding grounds clear down to the Gulf he encounters plenty of flak. If and when he gets to sunny Florida, he deserves a winter of soft living with nobody throwing a mess of ten's or coarser his way.

Florida hunting regulations vary with species and districts in an attempt to balance pressure against supply. For instance, in some districts hunting may be permitted from the opening of the season — November 20 — to the end of the month. From then on it's closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. In these counties the dove is also protected on those days through his season, which runs from December 1 to January 11. The hunting season in the Ocala National Forest covers the month of December, excepting Mondays and Tuesdays.

This forest is locally known as "The Big Scrub" and affords exceptionally fine deer hunting. It's a country of high rolling hills covered with a thick growth of scrub oak, palmetto, and short-leaf pine. There are quite a few bears in some sections of this National Forest, particularly in the flatwoods and swamps along such streams as Juniper Creek, Spring Creek and the Ocklawaha River. In fact, bear are reasonably plentiful in many areas of the state, from the Big Cypress Swamp north of the Suwannee River.

Bobcats and gray foxes are common throughout the state, and many hunters maintain packs of hounds for fox and 'cat hunting. An occasional panther is also killed ahead of the hounds. There's some trapping for coon, possum and otter, all of which are reasonably plentiful, with the annual take of raccoons being very large.

The Florida alligator, formerly so abundant, has become very scarce as a result of heavy hunting. Professional 'gator hunters have killed out most of the large reptiles for their skins, and countless thousands of baby 'gators have been collected for sale to the tourists by the various reptile farms. As alligators have disappeared, snakes, turtles, garfish and other enemies of the black bass have returned in great quantity, and folks are just beginning to realize that the much maligned 'gator is in reality an economic asset. It is to be hoped that statewide protective measures can be passed before this interesting reptile becomes extinct.

That's about the picture of hunting and fishing in Florida. There are plenty of other things for the nature lover to do there, however. An increasing number of Northern sportsmen are finding that in areas such as the Everglades —to name the most outstanding —any man of curiosity, interests and enthusiasm are stirred by wildlife can find plenty to occupy him, even though unequipped with tackle or firearms of any description. The abundance of birds and reptiles, of course, baggars description, and the fantastic factor is that they are not a long way off. Just across the highway ditch, and you're in a naturalists' paradise.

It's a unique state from the cut-doorsman's point of view. It has resources that cannot be duplicated elsewhere on the continent. It has, at last, a bureau in charge of these resources with firm ground under its feet and a Governor — Holland — who has been with the conservation movement all the way up from a modest legislative seat to his present position of dignity and responsibility. Florida's future looks good.


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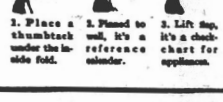
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### Josephine Browne and T. H. Evans Marry in Lakeland

The following account, from the Lakeland Ledger, of the marriage of Miss Josephine Browne, formerly of Avon Park, to Thomas H. Evans, which was an event of Sunday evening at the Southside Baptist Church in Lakeland, will be of cordial interest to the many friends of the family here.

Miss Josephine Browne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Browne, and Thomas Harper Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney K. Evans, were married at Southside Baptist church Sunday night. Dr. James S. Day, Jr., the pastor, performed the ceremony.

The church was decorated with dogwood blossoms, palms and tall white candles.

The musical program was given as follows: "To the Evening Star" (Wagner), Mrs. B. H. Harnly, organist; vocal, "The Sweetest Story Ever Told" (Stults) Kirby Blain; "Venetian Love Song" (Nevin), Mrs. George Moseley, pianist, and Mrs. Harnly, organist; vocal, "Because" (D'Hardelot), Miss Joan Sheppard. The traditional wedding marches were played.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by Miss Helen Jarrett of Avon Park. Sgt. Sidney Evans, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man.

Ushers were Billy Daniel and the bride's brother, Albert Browne.

The bride wore a powder blue gabardine dress, fashioned with a fitted bodice and pleated skirt. Her hat was in matching tone and her other accessories in patent leather, and her corsage was of white carnations. The maid of honor wore a yellow wool jersey dress with which she used black accessories, and her flowers were talisman roses.

Following a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Evans will make their home in Lakeland.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. J. J. Turner of Dunnellon, grandmother of the bride; Mrs. A. W. Farrell, Mrs. R. A. Carnley, Mrs. G. C. Sweet and Miss Inez Ferrell of Jacksonville; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Diehl of Dunnellon, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jarrett of Avon Park and S. Diehl of Philadelphia.

### Lovely Luncheon at U. S. O. Honors Senior Hostesses

Tom W. Dobson, director and Miss Patricia Barry, assistant director of the U. S. O., entertained the ladies of the Senior Hostess group at a luncheon in the club lounge on last Thursday. Following the luncheon a short business meeting was held in which several projects were discussed as undertaken for the ladies. Statistical records of attendance and group activities were read to the ladies by Mr. Dobson. A scrapbook project was outlined by Miss Barry which was approved by the Hostesses.

The following ladies were present; Mrs. J. Kirk, Mrs. James A. Johnson, Mrs. P. L. Rumpas, Mrs. Earl Ware, Mrs. Margery Church, Mrs. Harold Worden, Mrs. J. Paul Garber, Mrs. G. P. Thayer, Mrs. R. C. Pardee, Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mrs. F. W. Spatz, Mrs. C. Parke Anderson, Mrs. G. S. McKnight, Mrs. Robert R. Porterfield, Mrs. R. H. Jordan, and Mrs. Charles F. Kenney.

The next meeting of this group will be held on the first Thursday of next month.

### Scavenger Hunt is Delightful Affair of Saturday

Roland Dilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dilley was the honor guest at a surprise party given by his parents at their home on Saturday evening, in honor of his fourteenth birthday anniversary. The diversion for the evening was a scavenger hunt, in which the winning group received candy as their prize.

Later in the evening, weiners were roasted over an open fire and served with baked beans, cabbage salad, pickles, individual cakes, and cold drinks.

Roland was the recipient of a number of gifts from his friends sharing the occasion with him who were Misses Barbara Lawhon, Yvonne Head, Betty Dye, Barbara Jean Bridges, Retha Mixon, Jeanine Crews, Evelyn Pate, and Sammy Langbottom, E. C. Wever, Roger Sappington, Donald Ford, Sonnie Hagan, Bob Bovard, Frank Camp, and Bill Hood.

### Leap Year Party on Tuesday is Delightful Affair

A leap year party was enjoyed by a group of girls and their dates on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. R. A. Gerrard. Later in the evening, a tempting supper consisting of hot dogs, baked beans, cole slaw and punch was served.

Those participating in this pleasant affair were Miss Retha Mixon and Jimmy Watkins, Miss Barbara Bridges and Henry Wingate, Miss Yvonne Head and Frank Camp, Miss Jeanine Crews and Jack Rogers, Miss Betty Jo Wells and Fred Montadeoca, Miss Evelyn Pate and E. C. Wever, and Miss Betty Dye and Wiley Sauls. Chaperones for the evening were Mrs. Gerrard and Mrs. A. Fiore.

### Baptist Group Has Party Thursday at Harrison Home

The Valiant in Service Union of the intermediate department of the First Baptist Church was entertained at an unusually delightful party on last Thursday evening at the home of Miss Barbara Jean Harrison. The affair was designated as a "Famous People's party" and appropriate games were enjoyed throughout the evening, after which delicious refreshments of pie and iced drinks were served.

Members attending included Billy Langford, James Howell, Garth Spencer, Miss Virginia Adams, Miss Jeanette Jones, Miss Julia Nader, Donald Ford, Julius Collins, George Harper, Miss Betty Dye, Miss Barbara Jean Harrison, Mrs. H. W. Johnson and son, Jimmie and Mrs. Harrison. Mrs. Johnson is leader of the group.

### Lotela Wives Club Has Bridge Party Monday Evening

An informal evening of bridge was enjoyed by members of the Lotela Wives' Club and their guests on Monday evening. Mrs. Edwin Struck won high score prize; Mrs. L. E. Richardson, second high and Mrs. Parker Heilig received low score award. A delicious supper was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Virginia Robertson and Mrs. June Amos after the games.

Newly elected officers will take over their duties at the next regular business meeting, Monday, March 13. Those who will take office at this time will be Mrs. Isabelle Bates, president; Mrs. Lois Pidgeon, vice-president; Mrs. Virginia Tymeson, secretary, and Mrs. June Amos, treasurer. Mrs. Marjorie Spatz and Mrs. Lois Pidgeon will be hostesses for the evening.

### Mrs. Aitchison is Honoree at Tea Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. Jas. Luxton entertained at an afternoon tea at her home on Tuesday, in honor of Mrs. James Aitchison, who will leave soon for her home in Canada. A delightfully informal afternoon was spent by the guests. Tea was served dainty ritz crackers with cream cheese, homemade cookies, ice box pie, and hot tea.

Friends sharing the afternoon with Mrs. Aitchison and the hostess were Mrs. Ernest Spencer, Mrs. Rullison, and her daughter-in-law, Miss J. E. Joe, Mrs. Lavis, Mrs. J. E. Spencer, Mrs. Walker, and Mrs. J. L. Luxton.

### Births

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Sauls are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, weighing 8¼ pounds, who arrived February 8. The little lady has been named Sylvia Sue Sauls.

### Truck Operators May Receive Special Service ODT

Truck operators who are having difficulty locating replacement parts and tires needed to put essential vehicles back on the road may appeal to the Office of Defense Transportation for assistance, the ODT District Office in Tampa, reminded the public yesterday.

The service is available to all operators of trucks, including farmers, merchants, highway freight lines, bus and taxicab companies, according to Ed. Rowland, ODT District Manager.

Through its maintenance specialists in all key cities and maintenance advisory committees and sub-committees throughout the country, the ODT can usually locate critical parts or tires within a few days.

However, Mr. Rowland pointed out, governmental aid in locating needed parts is strictly an emergency service and will be offered only to operators who have exhausted every normal means of locating needed items. If every effort has been unsuccessful, however, operators may enlist ODT aid by merely contacting the nearest ODT District Office or Maintenance Advisory Committee, or Sub-Committee. The request should include the name and manufacturer's description of the needed part and the dealer's name through whom parts has been ordered as well as a statement of the attempts the operators has made to locate the wanted item through regular channels.

Locating the required part or tire seldom takes more than a few days, at which time the truck operator will be advised of the name and address of the firm from which it may be purchased.

## Church Notes

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)**
Rev. John Ellis Daley, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

**CHURCH OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMON)**
Branch organizations are established and regular Sunday services are held each week at the following places of worship:
Bradenton: Odd Fellow's Hall.
Fort Myers: Edison College Building.
Belle Glade: Women's Club.
Fort Pierce: Women's Club.
Chapels:
Miami:
Fort Lauderdale:
West Palm Beach:
For further information write Elder H. C. Cunningham, Box 949, Miami, Fla.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.; Sermon topic: "We Dedicate Ourselves."
Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M. Candle light Communion Service.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M., Mid-week service.

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.
Subject Sunday morning "Three Things To Think Of.".
Subject Sunday night 'Why Be Baptized."

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Rev. Albert D. Stauffacher

### Will Speak at Congregational Church Thursday

Rev. Albert D. Stauffacher, D. D. of New York, Minister of the Missions Council of the Congregational Christian Churches, will speak to members of the Standing Committee of Union Congregational Church Thursday evening, March 9.

"One of the most urgent tasks before the church today is to become more articulate in the new world order which is being born. Throughout the present conflict missionaries and missions have served suffering humanity in many ways and aside from the occupied territories have maintained their work with undiminished zeal. A "New Era of Missions" to follow the war is now being planned on an enlarged scale of Christian service to the peoples of our nation and the world.

The Missions Council, of which Dr. Stauffacher is the Minister, is the official body of the Congregational Christian Churches for the purpose of disseminating information, cultivating interest and raising funds for their total program of service at home and abroad. It includes the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, The Board of Home Missions and the Council for Social Action. The specific task of the Minister of Missions Council is "to give leadership in developing a program to acquaint the churches with the total task of our Fellowship, and to create a spiritual understanding of, and an increased devotion to, missions."

A highly successful pastor on the Pacific Coast and in the Middle West, Dr. Stauffacher's latest ministry was in the Plymouth Congregational Church of Lansing, Michigan. Earlier he served for several years as a missionary in Japan and made a world tour in 1936 which gave him an opportunity to observe Missions and missionaries in action on all fronts. During this trip he made a special study of the birthplaces of Jesus, Buddha, Mohammed and Confucius.

Born in Monroe, Wisconsin, Dr. Stauffacher was educated at North Central College, the University of Wisconsin, the Evangelical Theological Seminary and Chicago Theological Seminary, with an honorary degree from Pomona College.

Our fighting men are doing their share. Here at home the least we can do is put 10% of our income in War Bonds for our share in America.

## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TOM W. DOBSON)

The music of Sgt. Harry Newell and his 740th Rangers orchestra continue to be the talk of the dancers at the regular Tuesday dance held in the U. S. O. Ballroom. Sgt. Newell and his men really played swell music this past Tuesday evening. The dancers applauded him and his men at every opportunity. Pvt. John Fein and Miss Virginia Chapman were the recipients of our door prizes. Guests at the dance were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Anderson who were present with Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Kenney. Serving as Senior Hostesses in the ballroom were Mrs. C. P. Anderson and Mrs. Robert R. Porterfield. Mrs. S. C. Pardee and Mrs. Muriel Bentman assisted at the Snack Bar.

On Sunday evening we are featuring a program of Bingo that has really caught on. Last Sunday over 80 servicemen and their wives played and won cigarettes and candy for prizes. Mrs. James A. Johnson has promised to bring some home cooked cookies as gifts. I feel sure that her offering would be greatly appreciated. Mrs. Johnson called off several of our games of Bingo recently and was made to repeat several numbers. Must be her non-Yankee accent. She smiled and tried again. Such patience and charm. We believe that we have discovered the best caller in town — with the exception of Charlie Kenney — in Sgt. Spike Rihner. Sgt. Rihner kept the gathering so amused that they overlooked locating the numbers he called on their card. What a man this Spike fellow. He has been a real help to this staff in many ways. More about him later.

With many more servicemen and their wives coming to town in the search of a place to live — it is most urgent that those who may have a vacancy in their home — notify this club by phone or in person — so that we can help at least a few. We have been deluged by many requests for this service and we regret not being able to help. Won't you kindly let us know whenever a vacancy occurs?

The Feature Movie to be shown in the U. S. O. ballroom this coming week on Monday and Wednesday at 8 is entitled, "How Green Was My Valley." Stars in this outstanding drama include Walter Pidgeon, Maureen O'Hara and many others. This show was selected near the top during 1943. Be sure and see it this coming week.

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# BLACK SOMBRERO

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT ~ WNU SERVICE

Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood artist, is cut off from the will of her aunt Kitty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Barry Madison, an amateur detective, and Hunt Rogers, professional sleuth, go to Matanalan, Mexico, on a cruise with Margaret and Dwight Nichols. On arriving they find that Elsa and her party have preceded them by plane. Sam Chatfield, Elsa's father, who is a rancher, puts on a big fiesta for the ranch workers. While the fiesta is in progress in Reed Rogers' tent to conduct an investigation among his guests concerning the death of his sister. Everyone present seems to have a motive. After the cross questioning the guests repair to the courtyard to watch the dancing.

## CHAPTER IX

Elsa suddenly was vibrant with excitement. She directed my attention to the platform. "Look, Barry; listen!" she exclaimed.

Two youthful figures were mounting the stage, followed by a third, a larger more mature figure. The first two were our pair of wandering musicians, Pancho and Felipe, with battered guitar and ukulele. The third man carried a small harpike instrument.

They began to play before they had turned to face the audience; and Felipe, the older, lifted his soft tenor voice in the Spanish words of a song: "Let us unite our hearts, Charro and China dancing!"

There was a China Poblana lurking in the shadows ready to step onto the platform; a short nervous Charro stood behind her. Of a sudden Elsa left me. At the edge of the crowd I saw Reed Barton move swiftly toward the platform, and before I realized what was happening, the two were standing before us under the bright light, and the musicians were backing off to the side still playing, enticingly, seductively. I'm sure it was one of those spontaneous, impulsive acts to which Elsa was so prone. I was reminded of that February evening now weeks in the past and far away in California at the beach club, when Reed Barton had appeared and claimed Elsa for their first dance together. And now they stood before us—Elsa in the costume said to have been named for a Chinese woman who brought it to the town of Puebla many years ago, and which is to be seen on festive occasions throughout Mexico; Reed Barton in the costume of the cowboy.

"Senor! Valgame Dios! Senor!"

"Aqui, Maria," commanded Sam Chatfield from his place a few seats beyond us. "Que deseas tu?"

"Oh, senor!" cried the woman breathlessly, her words smothered somewhat by the applause. "Valgame Dios! El caballero esta muerto!"

Rogers' strong hand fell upon my leg and his fingers gripped it powerfully. "Did you hear what she said?" he asked, getting to his feet.

"Yes, I heard. Chesebro's dead."

A little group of frightened women servants was outside the entrance to Chesebro's room. Sam Chatfield drove them away, admonishing them to go back to the kitchen, then threw open the door, and stood back for Rogers and me to enter.

James Chesebro lay as if a great and welcome peace had descended upon him. His fat body made a huge mound under the light covering.

"The heart failed to rally, I suppose. The attack must have been more severe than Doctor Cruz thought."

"Do you think so, Mr. Madison?"

"I don't know, of course, Mr. Chatfield, but—"

I was halted in mid-sentence by Rogers' action. He stooped, grasped the edge of the bed covers and stripped them back.

"His heart failed for quite a different reason, Barry," he said grimly, pointing to a widening stain of blood over the front of the pajamas. There was a small hole through the cloth over the heart, and when the cloth itself was pulled aside there was disclosed a small hole in the skin which still oozed blood.

"With your permission, Mr. Chatfield," Hunt said slowly, "I should like to have Dwight and Margaret stay, and George Rumble, and Reed Barton too. The police, of course," he looked closely at Sam Chatfield, "will investigate."

"I am required to send for the juez local and the medico legista," There was a suggestion of stiffness in his words, as if Rogers had anticipated his next move and he resented it. "The body must not be touched until one or both of them have examined it. Doctor Cruz happens to be the medico legista at Maxatlan. The police, of course, will come."

The door closed behind Chatfield's short figure, and instantly Rogers became active. He glanced at his watch. It was nine-thirty. "I want your help, Barry," he said. "The capacity of the Mexican police is an unknown quantity to me. It may be excellent. I've had no experience with it. We should have half an hour before they arrive. If we're to solve the murder of Kitty Chatfield, it may be necessary to know just what's happened here in Matalan."

He glanced about the shadowy room, neglectful now of the body that lay in its huge mound on the bed. "The cause of death is obvious," he remarked, as if in answer to my thoughts. "A small, thin blade of some sort stopped our friend's weakened heart."

He looked at the little tile table beside the bed, where Chesebro's watch lay and a glass of water stood. He walked over to a huge clothespress that reached toward the shadowy ceiling. "Would you mind holding the candle for me, Barry?" he requested.

I took it and he opened the door to the clothespress. "I am looking for Chesebro's clothing. Here it is." He brought out the suit of clothes Chesebro had worn that morning, and ran his hand swiftly into the various pockets. "There's hardly a chance that it's robbery," he remarked. "Cold pencil," he enumerated the various objects as he came across them. "Loose change in the trousers pocket. A billfold, obviously containing money. Letters and papers. That's all." He put the suit back into the clothespress again and shut the door. "Robbery is not the motive," he said.

"Not robbery," said Rogers as we finished our round, "and entrance could have been had only by



"Maybe the murderer is hiding there."

means of the door." He stood a moment uncertainly. "A dozen murderers could be lurking in the shadows of this enormous room. Let's make sure they are not doing so now."

Rogers led the way to the farther end of the room. Massive furniture, dark with age, of a period reminiscent of Maximilian, blocked our pathway.

"There's nothing back this way," said Rogers, holding high the candle and throwing its feeble beams about the end of the room. "Let's go back to the other end. Maybe the murderer is hiding there." He led the way, holding the candle high above the level of his eyes. His foot kicked something as we walked, and it shot like a dark and ominous shadow before us and fell to the floor.

"What is it?" I asked, feeling that my voice shook slightly.

"Something soft, and light," he said, advancing again. A few steps farther on he halted, stooped and picked up the object. "A sombrero," he said.

Rogers held the large sombrero in his hand as if to examine it in the light of the candle.

I took it from his hands and walked over to the light near the bed. It was a black felt sombrero, comparatively new, for it showed almost no signs of wear; across the front of the crown was an ornamental pattern in hand-wrought silver.

"George Rumble's sombrero, isn't it?" asked Rogers over my shoulder.

"He has one like this," I replied. "It was on the rack near the front door earlier this evening. How would it get in here, though?"

"Perhaps George can tell us." He took the sombrero from me and dropped it on the foot of the bed, where it remained a dark and sinister shadow, and turned to the bedside as if to check again some point about the murder victim which had occurred to him. A light tap came at the door, and Rogers halted abruptly.

"Come," he called. The door was pushed resolutely open.

Vague figures in the dim light crowded the doorway. Sam Chatfield entered, followed by Doctor Cruz, and behind him two men in uniform. They advanced into the room and the door closed behind them.

Doctor Cruz nodded to us, and went at once to the figure on the bed. Sam Chatfield presented the other two men. "Senor Otilio Lombardo, jefe del policia," he said, "and Senor Alvarez of the policia; Senor Madison and Senor Rogers."

They bowed to us, but their interest was centered on the bed where Doctor Cruz already was examining the dead man. They pushed on to join him and stood respectfully back until at last the doctor looked up and gave in Spanish his opinion that James Chesebro had died of a knife thrust not so long a time before.

Lombardo and his satellite looked intently for some moments at the wound, then turned away without a word and sat down.

"I am very sorry, Senor Chatfield," Lombardo said, looking up at our host and speaking in Spanish, "that this has happened in your house. I know that your hospitality is above reproach. You cannot help this sad thing, of course; it is very sad. Who is the gentleman?"

"Senor James Chesebro."

Lombardo's eyebrows shot up ward. "He of the mine back in the mountains?" he inquired.

"Yes."

"That is bad. Can you tell me who killed him?"

"I cannot, Senor Lombardo."

"Senor Rogers here," said Sam Chatfield, laying his hand upon Rogers' arm, "is quite famous for solving the mystery of murder north of the border."

"Ah, so!" exclaimed Lombardo. "Welcome, my friend. Perhaps we have a mystery here. If so I shall lean upon you. But, I think it is easily explained, no?"

"I hope so, Senor Lombardo," Rogers replied in Spanish. "So far Senor Madison and I have found nothing of importance. It was not suicide, because there is no weapon. It was not murder for the purpose of robbery."

"And the weapon, Senor Rogers; you say you have not found it?"

"I've been unable to discover it anywhere in the room; it is, of course, a knife of some sort."

"Yes. Thank you, senor, you have saved me much work."

"Did the gentleman have any enemies, Senor Rogers, either here in Maxatlan or at home?" inquired Alvarez, the gendarme. The man had not spoken until now.

Rogers shook his head. "I know of none, senor."

"I think," Lombardo said, stirring to his feet, "it is time we talk with someone about this crime. Who made the discovery, Senor Chatfield?"

Sam Chatfield got to his feet, taking a step toward the door, as if to lead the way. "I think it was Maria. It was she who came to tell me of it."

"I shall talk to Maria, then," said Lombardo.

The kitchen was large; gloomy shadows filled all the vast region above two unfrosted electric light bulbs which hung down from the high rafters on long cords.

"Stop!" shouted Lombardo. "Do not run away, anyone."

Two or three dimly flying figures made good their escape, while some four or five less fortunate obeyed the command and remained behind, standing with fidgeting hands and shuffling feet in the presence of the law.

"Maria," called Lombardo, sitting down in a small chair whose creaking, polished seat long years before had been cut from the hide of a cow.

"Yes, sir," the woman who had brought word of Chesebro's death, as we sat looking on at the dances in the courtyard, came to a fluttery attention near the middle ovens.

"Come here, senorita," directed the chief. Alvarez drew up a chair before us for the woman, who sat down timidly, her dark eyes fastened apprehensively upon her questioner.

"You made the discovery of the dead man, did you not, Maria?" inquired Lombardo.

"Yes, sir."

"Tell me about it."

"I," she began timidly, "I go to the gentleman's room to inquire, Senor Jefe del Policia, if he desires food. I push open the door gently and speak to him. He does not answer. I open the door and go in, and still he does not reply to my question. I go all the way to the bed, and—senor—God help me!—he is dead."

"Did you see the man who killed him, Maria?" inquired Lombardo.

"Oh, no, sir; I do not. I do not know who killed him. I swear, senor, I do not know. Outside is the fiesta. I could hear. I cannot see. So I do not know."

"Come here, you," commanded Lombardo.

A man, dressed in white cotton trousers, a ragged shirt and carrying in his hand a battered straw sombrero, shuffled forward on guaraches which were little more than leather soles for his bare feet.

"Who are you?" demanded Lombardo.

"I am Pedro, sir," the man replied nervously.

"Who are you? What do you do?"

"I am Pedro, the pulque man, sir."

"Pulque man," grunted Lombardo. "Why are you here?"

"I bring the pulque for the fiesta, sir."

"Yes, of course. But what do you know about the death of the gentleman in the big room?"

"Nothing, sir. I do not know this is a gentleman murdered."

(TO BE CONTINUED)




## Weather Stations In Greenland

*By Bernt Balchen*

*(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with Collier's Weekly.)*

War in the Arctic is a lonely war. It is not a big show like Russia or Italy; there are no vast armies, no major campaigns, no epic battles.

Events are far apart and small. A trawler hails in a hidden cove. A group of men in green German army tunics set up their equipment on the barren beach. A passing dog-sled driver is ambushed and shot. And between these events is nothing but the whiting and the silence.

Evidently the driver of the sled never heard the command to halt. The wind off Greenland's Icecap was sharp, the flying snow crystals stung his face as the team of husties trotted ahead of him; he pulled his parka hood tighter over his head against the cold.

With two other members of the Greenland Sledge Patrol, he was hurrying back to Eskimonaes after an uneventful two weeks' reconnaissance to the north. There had been no sign of enemy installations along the coast. Nothing aroused his suspicions as he led the way over the shore ice toward the deserted trapper's cabin at Sandodden where they planned to spend the night.

**First Man Killed by Enemy.**

The first shot, fired from the door of the cabin, struck his lead dog; the animal dropped in its traces, kicking once or twice convulsively. Before the driver realized what had happened, his second dog leaped into the air and dashed over, biting at a spreading red stain on its white fur. Instinctively he stooped to grab his rifle from the bottom of the sled; a bullet drilled him through the temple, and he fell face forward onto the snow.

**That shot, by a Nazi trooper, marked our first fatal conflict with the enemy in Greenland; it was the initial contact with an armed German invasion force anywhere in the Western hemisphere. You did not know—the facts could not be revealed until now—that the Nazis had actually established a foothold on this side of the Atlantic.**

You did not know, all last year, that their planes were flying within bombing distance of the shores of North America. Their submarines, refueling in Greenland's silent fiords, were striking at will at our convoys to England and Murmansk. Their well-equipped weather station, on the island's undefended east coast, was in daily radio communication direct with Berlin.

Perhaps you did not even know there was a war in Greenland. It was a secret war, waged in semi-darkness north of the Arctic Circle, on a remote battlefield perpetually locked under 10,000 feet of solid ice.

**'Carrying On' at 50 Below.**

The weapons were not tommy guns and tanks; the real heroes of that war were nameless enlisted men working in air force ground crews at 50 below zero, or standing guard on coast guard cutters fighting through the pack ice, or living all winter long in isolated weather stations along the Icecap, buried under 18 feet of snow. Once each day they would tunnel to the surface to take their wind and temperature readings; the rest of the time there was nothing to do but wait.

**Look at your map, and you will see that Greenland sits at the top of the globe, the nearest land mass to the North Pole.**

**From this frozen island in the Arctic there flow winds and currents that set up the storm fronts for all the North Atlantic, for England, for Norway, for the continent itself. Greenland holds the key to tomorrow's weather in Europe.**

Every bombing raid we make over Germany depends on our long-range forecasts from the Arctic. The timing, indeed the very success, of our coming invasion may hinge on the fact that we—and not the Nazis—have Greenland today.

The Germans knew the importance of Greenland. From the outset of the war, Nazi weather planes had been patrolling its coast; it was advance information from Greenland that enabled the trapped Scharnhorst and Gneisenau to slip out of harbor, under cover of heavy fog, and pass unmolested within 15 miles of the Dover coast.

**Spying 'Scientists.'**

For a quarter century, alleged German scientific expeditions had actually been studying the Arctic with an eye to its future military use; their so-called good-will flights across the Atlantic, by way of Greenland, had amassed invaluable meteorological data.

**We likewise knew that Greenland was an important frontier. Long before our formal entry into the global struggle, we realized that it would be an essential springboard for any Nazi air-and-sea assault on the North American continent.**

# Washington Digest

## Demobilization Committee Completes Initial Report



**Congressional Group Provides for Action by Legislation Rather Than Executive Decree; Small Business Gets Break.**

By BAUKHAGE

*News Analyst and Commentator.*

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At a recent White House press and radio conference, the President, in talking of certain measures he had recommended to benefit men and women leaving the armed service, explained that long before the demobilization of the fighting forces as a group of men in green German army tunics set up their equipment on the barren beach. A passing dog-sled driver is ambushed and shot. And between these events is nothing but the whiting and the silence.

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The first shot, fired from the door of the cabin, struck his lead dog; the animal dropped in its traces, kicking once or twice convulsively. Before the driver realized what had happened, his second dog leaped into the air and dashed over, biting at a spreading red stain on its white fur. Instinctively he stooped to grab his rifle from the bottom of the sled; a bullet drilled him through the temple, and he fell face forward onto the snow.

**That shot, by a Nazi trooper, marked our first fatal conflict with the enemy in Greenland; it was the initial contact with an armed German invasion force anywhere in the Western hemisphere. You did not know—the facts could not be revealed until now—that the Nazis had actually established a foothold on this side of the Atlantic.**

You did not know, all last year, that their planes were flying within bombing distance of the shores of North America. Their submarines, refueling in Greenland's silent fiords, were striking at will at our convoys to England and Murmansk. Their well-equipped weather station, on the island's undefended east coast, was in daily radio communication direct with Berlin.

Perhaps you did not even know there was a war in Greenland. It was a secret war, waged in semi-darkness north of the Arctic Circle, on a remote battlefield perpetually locked under 10,000 feet of solid ice.

**'Carrying On' at 50 Below.**

The weapons were not tommy guns and tanks; the real heroes of that war were nameless enlisted men working in air force ground crews at 50 below zero, or standing guard on coast guard cutters fighting through the pack ice, or living all winter long in isolated weather stations along the Icecap, buried under 18 feet of snow. Once each day they would tunnel to the surface to take their wind and temperature readings; the rest of the time there was nothing to do but wait.

**Look at your map, and you will see that Greenland sits at the top of the globe, the nearest land mass to the North Pole.**

**From this frozen island in the Arctic there flow winds and currents that set up the storm fronts for all the North Atlantic, for England, for Norway, for the continent itself. Greenland holds the key to tomorrow's weather in Europe.**

Every bombing raid we make over Germany depends on our long-range forecasts from the Arctic. The timing, indeed the very success, of our coming invasion may hinge on the fact that we—and not the Nazis—have Greenland today.

The Germans knew the importance of Greenland. From the outset of the war, Nazi weather planes had been patrolling its coast; it was advance information from Greenland that enabled the trapped Scharnhorst and Gneisenau to slip out of harbor, under cover of heavy fog, and pass unmolested within 15 miles of the Dover coast.

**Spying 'Scientists.'**

For a quarter century, alleged German scientific expeditions had actually been studying the Arctic with an eye to its future military use; their so-called good-will flights across the Atlantic, by way of Greenland, had amassed invaluable meteorological data.

**We likewise knew that Greenland was an important frontier. Long before our formal entry into the global struggle, we realized that it would be an essential springboard for any Nazi air-and-sea assault on the North American continent.**

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

Today an apple a day keeps the doctor away, but in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, cocoa was considered the proper tonic.

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"Dress fashions for girls—Japanese style, 1944—are to be streamlined in a new styling of graceful, wartime uniform, according to the Jap education ministry." What? No pin-ups?

Although 1944 food production in the United States is expected to be greater than in 1943, military and lend-lease requirements in 1944 also will be greater so that the total food supply for civilians may even be smaller in 1944 than last year, according to the department of agriculture. However, civilian stocks may be upped if conditions permit tapping the government reserve.

## Things to do





5600

FOUR buttons, a wisp of soft striped cotton and a gay little duck parade—they all add up to make the nicest little play frock in town! Use bits of yellow and brown scraps for the baby-duck appliques. The pinafore frock includes sizes for 2-3-4 years.

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To obtain complete pattern for the Play Frock (Pattern No. 5600) applique Baby Duck and finishing directions, send 10 cents in coin, your name and address and the pattern number.

Send your order to:

ROSE NEEDLEWORK
530 South Wells St. Chicago.

## SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER



A gallon of latex is about one-third rubber and two-thirds water.

GR-S, the synthetic rubber now used in civilian tires manufacture, requires more time in baking (vulcanized or fusion). With the equipment and labor shortage, this means that the industry has a tremendous problem ahead of it to make the 30 million tires scheduled for 1944.

Back in 1832, when rubber shoes were shipped here from Brazil, they were not made according to shape or for left and right feet. Just think rubber coverings that were stretched over the regular leather shoes. They were sold in winter, gooey in summer.

In war or peace
B.F.Goodrich
FIRST IN RUBBER

### Self-Mastery

He that would govern others, first should be
The master of himself.
—Massinger.

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1. Dr. Wernet's powder gives a firmer hold.
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# Notifying the Next of Kin

• A messenger boy hands a telegram to a father informing the parent that his soldier son has been wounded overseas, and thus is completed the last link in a long chain of military activity. At the front lines begins the process of reporting military casualties. Medical evacuation personnel put tags on all wounded men in the area. Casualties reports from each division adjutant are sent to the headquarters of



the theater commander and relayed, usually by radiograph, to the U. S. Signal Corps Message Center in the Pentagon, Washington, D. C. Next stop is the casualty branch where reports are checked and from where the next of kin are notified.

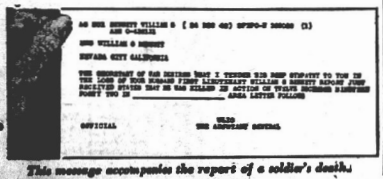


*Right: Pfc. Harold Mechalek, Youngstown, Ohio, an armed courier from the Message Center in Washington, delivers casualty reports to Bernice Webb, Calloway, Va., of the classified Message Center casualty branch. There is more than one source of casualty information. Names of men missing in action are turned up by daily roll calls. Prisoners of war are reported by the enemy power holding them through the International Red Cross.*



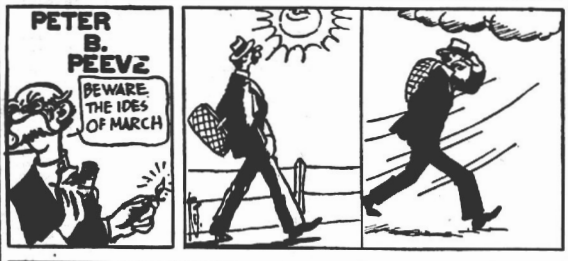

*Left: After a careful check on a casualty to insure against erroneous notification, the casualty reports are sent to the record section, which has the kin's addresses. Below: Pvt. Zenon E. Trasewick receives a message of cheer from his mother through the wounded status section.*

• Usually within two or three hours of receipt of a casualty message from a theater of war, a telegram is on its way to the soldier's next of kin or to the person whom he designated to be notified in case of his serious illness.



*This message accompanies the report of a soldier's death.*

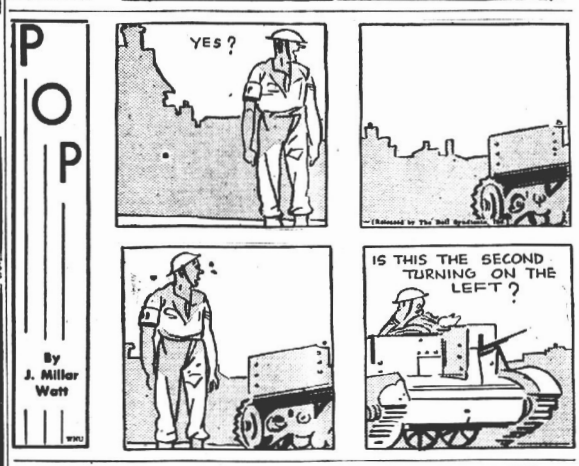
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Private—You've heard of Naples, the famous Italian port?

Sarge—No! How much is it a bottle?

**Younger Generation**

Teen-age Girl—Little boy, what would your father do if he knew you were out on the street this late at night?

Little Boy—I don't know. What does your father do to you?

**Perfect Wreck?**

Lady—I like everything about this second car except that little mirror up there. It isn't set right.

Salesman—Isn't it?

Lady—No, I can't see anything in it but the car behind.

**NOTHING ON THE HOUSE**

A plainly dressed man approached the service desk in a swanky hotel, waited awkwardly for attention, and then asked timidly:

"May I have some stationery, please?"

The trim clerk eyed him coldly a moment, then asked:

"Are you a guest of this hotel?"

"Guest?" replied the plainly dressed one. "Heck no! I'm paying five dollars a day here."

**Galloping Consumption**

Jones (to Smith hopping along the street)—I thought you were ill! What's the idea of jumping along the street like that?

Smith—I am sick, but my doctor told me to take my medicine three days running and skip one!

**Universal Song**

Harry—I see in this book it says lots of birds sing without opening their bills.

Jerry—Maybe we'd all feel more like singing if we didn't open ours!

**RING FOR MORE!**



Joan—Was the ring Harry gave you set with precious stones?

Jane—Yes, precious few!

**Right Fit?**

Mr. Brown—This is that last pair of trousers you made for me. I want them re-seated. You know I sit a lot!

Tailor—Yes, and I hope you've brought your bill to be receipted, too. You know I've stood a lot!

**Say That Again!**

Hubby—Aren't you afraid we'll be late for the party?

Wifey—Of course not. Don't you know it's not smart for anybody to go till everybody gets there?

# PATTERNS
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A SLIM two-piece afternoon or date dress has subtly curved and fitted torso lines. Wear the jacket over a long skirt for dancing!

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Barbara Bell Pattern No. 1900 is designed for sizes 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 14, short sleeves, requires 3⅞ yards of 36-inch material; ¾ yard extra for pleating.

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"I'd started working nights, and with my way of living changed around, I soon found I was taking 3 or 4 laxatives a week, and feeling terrible. Then I heard about KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN through your radio program, 'The Breakfast Club.' Since taking my daily helping of ALL-BRAN, I am regular as clockwork. Thanks for what your ALL-BRAN has done for me!" Mrs. Myrtle Wood, 274 Dasmarille Blg. Akron, Ohio.

Yes, it does seem like magic, the way KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN helps so many people. "Gets at" one common cause of constipation—lack of enough dietary "cellulose" elements! That's because ALL-BRAN is one of Nature's most *effective* sources of these elements—which help the friendly colonic flora fluff up and prepare the colonic contents for easy, natural elimination! KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN is *not* a purgative! It's a gentle-acting, "regulating" food!

If your constipation is this kind, eat KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN regularly, with milk and fruit, or mixed with other cereals. Drink plenty of water. See if you don't find real help! Insist on genuine ALL-BRAN, made *only* by Kellogg's in Battle Creek.


## ASK ME ANOTHER?
### A General Quiz

*The Questions*

1. Who was the last Aztec emperor of Mexico?
2. Approximately how many glaciers and lakes are there in Glacier National park?
3. What is the proportion of women six feet tall or over to that of men of that height in the United States?
4. When was the University of Mexico founded?
5. Who said: "Where law ends, tyranny begins"?
6. Who ruled Rome at the time of Christ's death?
7. What is the largest planet in the solar system?
8. The British farthing is worth how much in American money?

*The Answers*

1. Montezuma.
2. Sixty glaciers, 200 lakes.
3. Out of every 1,000 men and 1,000 women, 102 men but only 3 women are six feet in height.
4. In 1553.
5. William Pitt.
6. Tiberius.
7. Jupiter.
8. One-half cent.


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# Lodwick Avitaion Military Academy Opens New Dept.

School officials announced today that in addition to the flight, academic maintenance and other departments, a new phase has been added combining the maintenance and scheduled operations of all Army and School vehicles under the newly created Transportation Department.

Through the efficient operation of this department much vital rubber and gasoline may be conserved by pooling resources and obtaining the maximum use from the minimum amount of equipment.

This change creates the new and as yet unfilled position of Transportation Manager. It is hoped that this office may be filled by a resident of Avon Park possessing the following qualifications:

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NAZARENE EVANGELISTS—Rev. and Mrs. Marvin S. Cooper will conduct special services at the Church of the Nazarene, DeSoto and West Main, each evening at 8 o'clock, March 3 to 26. Rev. Cooper was evangelist in a Revival meeting here about a year ago.

## "TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY"

(BY RUSSELL KAY)

Thinking Americans, who have watched with growing concern the steady encroachment of the Administrative branch of our government upon the Legislative and Judicial, with the attendant breaking down of those constitutional checks and balances, designed from the beginning to safeguard and protect the people, breathed sighs of genuine relief, when at long last, under the courageous leadership of Democratic leader, Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, Congress, voicing the will of an overwhelming majority of the people, openly revolted.

Unfortunate as it is that such action should be forced at a time when this nation is involved in war and while our enemies can be depended upon to make the most of it, nevertheless, it had to come and the best interests of all will be served as a result of it.

Rebukes and slurs on the Congress, by whoever made, are rebukes and slurs on the American people themselves, for Congress stands alone as the people's voice in government. During this trying period Congress has time and time again permitted itself to bow to the dictatorial will of the Administration, to serve the war effort and safeguard the nation it has placed in administrative hands more power than was ever so placed in the nation's history.

America is at the cross-roads. The people of this great nation must decide now whether we wish to maintain this government within the framework of the Constitution and preserve the glorious heritage earned for us by the blood, sweat and tears of our forefathers, or whether we wish to accept the role of slaves to a dictatorial, bureaucratic system that offering so-called "security" robs us of our freedom.

We must decide now, whether we wish to maintain our personal and sectional independences, stand on our own feet, solve our own problems, preserve our self-respect and individual initiative or whether we prefer to become helpless wards of an all-sufficient, all-powerful governmental system that looks upon us as "children" and assumes the role of a benevolent parent that will "look after" us and supply all our wants from the cradle to the grave if we are "good" or whip us and send us to bed without any supper if we fail to strictly observe every rule, edict or regulation laid down as mandatory by some pipequeak bureaucratic chief.

With our minds centered on the international scene and our hearts eager to do all in our power to further the war effort and get it over with so that our loved ones may return, and we may enjoy the fruits of victory, we are apt to overlook what is happening in America at home. Little by little, step by step, our form of government is being made over, changed to fit a pattern entirely foreign to true Democracy and designed to so enslave the populace that under the burden of debt and bureaucratic governmental control they will be powerless to resist and subject to the autocratic will of those in power.

The 10 we have been traveling the past few years is not a new road, on the contrary, it is an old old road, traveled many times before by other nations to their sorrow and ultimate doom. It is a road that begins with glittering lights of hope and promise but ends in darkness and oblivion. We are attracted to it as moths to the flame, with catch phrases and platitudes that appeal to our inherent selfishness and greed. Lulled to sleep with glib promises of "abundance" and "security" we exchange our birthright of freedom and independence to become mere puppets of autocratic overlords.

Entrenched within the framework of the Administration today are many fanatical theorists who as advisors and policy makers are doing everything in their power to completely wreck our governmental structure and set up a fantastic, socialistic, paternalistic totalitarian system in its stead. They had made considerable progress with their plans before the war but found the emergency a perfect blind for the expansion and promotion of their program. Patriotic citizens hesitated to question any administrative action no matter how brazen and accepted sacrifices, surrendered liberties, submitted to indignities and injustices conning themselves that all this was "only temporary."

But, is it all chargable to the war emergency? Is it only temporary? Much as we would like to think so, every indication points to a well-planned and deliberate scheme of a group in the "inner-circle" to bring about a complete and permanent change in the American way of life.

As individuals, citizens it will be our privilege to give tangible expression to our wishes in the coming election. We will do well to select those we choose to represent us with the utmost care. It is your duty and obligation to register and vote and if you have not already done so, make sure you are qualified. Absenteeism at the ballot box can be even more disastrous to the nation's welfare than absenteeism on the assembly line. This time, mumbled lip service to the Constitution is not enough, demand that the candidate of your choice really means it in his heart.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CHANCERY NO. 5111-C
BILL FOR DIVORCE
ANNA W. SAUCIER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ANNA M. SAUCIER
Defendant.
NOTICE TO APPEAR
TO THE DEFENDANT, ANNA M. SAUCIER:
You are hereby notified that on the 23rd day of November, A. D., 1943, James W. Saucier filed his Bill of Complaint in the above Court against you, the nature of the same being for a decree of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii.
You are hereby required to file your appearance to the said Bill of Complaint in the said Court on or before the 6th day of March, 1944 or judgment by default will be entered against you.
WITNESS the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, and the signature of the Clerk thereof this 16th day of February, A. D., 1944.
H. T. PIETTY
Clerk of the Circuit Court
(SEAL) By J. C. DESHONG,
Deputy Clerk
S. COLQUITT PARIDES
Attorney for Plaintiff.
201 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
March 3, 10, 17, 24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1042
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Lloyd A. and Emma Jean Zorn, the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate numbers and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
All of said property lying 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 door on the first Monday in month of April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.
Dated this 2nd day of March, 1944.
H. T. PIETTY,
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida.
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
March 3, 10, 17, 24

Certificate No. 992
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: Lots 9 and 10, Block 5 McAuley's addition Per Plat 1, Page 14 & 15, in Section 31, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed J. G. Beardsley.

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Certificate No. 616
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: SE¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ of Section 34 Township 39 South, Range 29 East, 10 Acres.
Name in which assessed — Unknown.
All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate will be sold to highest bidder at the court house door on the first Monday in Month of April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.
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Certificate No. 615
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: NW¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ & E½ of NW¼ of NW¼ of Section 34, Township 39 South, Range 29 East 20 acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.
All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.
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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE — Red and Copper skin sweet potato plants 50c, 100; $4, 1000, 5000 up, $3-1000. Rushing & Son, 2101 N. W. 63rd St. Miami. Feb. 25 - March 3.

PERMANENT WAVE. — 50c! Do your own Permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment including 60 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely harmless. Praised by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. S. S. Thayer Jacaranda Drug Co.

FULLER BRUSHES, — Edgar Stauffer, 33 S. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Mar. 10

LOST — Four ration books and A and B gas ration books. Books in name of Carr. Reward. Return to Robert B. Carr, Trailer Park. 1tpd.

LOST MONDAY — Billfold containing gas tickets, driver's license, social security card and car title. Initials S. B. Finder keep money, return balance to Box 604.

WANTED — Capable grove man, who understands tractor driving; House furnished. P. C. Morrell, 200 N. Verona Ave. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — Lakefront furnished homes. $3000 and $2800. Half cash, balance terms. Phone 251. C. T. Ratliff, Wauchula. Mar. 3-13

LOST TUESDAY —Small pocketbook containing $400 in bills. Belongs to man in service. Reward for return. Dessie McDaniels (colored) Box 934.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of CLARA E. COY, deceased, late of said County, to the County Judge of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, at his office in the Court House at Sebring Florida, within eight calendar months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing and must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant and must be sworn to by the claimant, his agent or his attorney, or the same will become void according to law.
This 16th day of February, 1944.
CORA COY CANFIELD
Administratrix of the Estate of CLARA E. COY, Deceased.
First Publication on February 18th, 1944.
Feb. 18, 25, March 3, 10.

IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA.
IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933
Re Estate of;
GEORGE F. SMITH, 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 Gregg F. Smith, 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 twelve months from the date of the first publication hereof.
You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney, the date of first publication, January 7, 1944.
FRED M. SMITH
Administrator of Said Estate.
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3.

REGISTRATION NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the registration books of Highlands County, Florida, will be open in each precinct in the county from Feb. 5 to March 6 for the registration of all those wishing to participate in the Primary Election, to be held May 2, 1944.
Those who have once registered in the Primary books do not have to register, but your name must appear on the books for you to be able to vote in the primary.
The books will close in the precincts March 6 after which voters may register in the registration office in the court house until the night of April 15, 1944.
The precinct registration officers who will have the books in their respective precincts are:
AVON PARK —
No. 1: Sun Office.
No. 1A: L. D. Roberts Pressing Co.
No. 1B: Harris Tourist Camp.
SEBRING —
No. 2: Yarbrough's Drug Store.
No. 2A: McAdams Service Station.
No. 2B: Registration Office, court house.
DESOTO CITY —
No. 3: Post Office, Mrs. Burch.
LAKE PLACID —
No. 4: McAuley's' Store.
VENUS —
No. 5: Morgan's Store.
HICORIA —
No. 6: Mr. Shackleford, post office.
BABSINGER —
No. 7: Post Office, Mrs. Williams.
BRIGHTON —
No. 8: Post Office.
SUNNILAND —
No. 9: Post Office, Tave Waldron.
ROLAND X. DROIT
Supervisor of Registration
Highlands County

# Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Two cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.

FOR SHERIFF
I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.
DOYLE BOEHUMACHER

FOR SHERIFF
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.
W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

FOR SHERIFF
I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.
E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

FOR TAX COLLECTOR
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.
PHILIP CORRELL

FOR TAX COLLECTOR
I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.
FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

FOR TAX COLLECTOR
Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.
DAN YOUNG

FOR STATE SENATOR
I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.
A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

FOR STATE SENATOR
I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,
Wm. (BILL) CLETT

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.
JIM F. MELTON

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.
FRED WILD

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT
This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.
TROY A. COX

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT
I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.
ALTON ELDER

FOR TAX ASSESSOR
I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944. Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.
P. G. GEARING

FOR REPRESENTATIVE
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announced opposition, and ask only that I may be allowed to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.
C. E. LANIER

FOR CONSTABLE
I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as Chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.
R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

FOR CONSTABLE, FIRST DISTRICT
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.
THOMAS WELLS

FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT
I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.
WILEY SAULS

FOR SUBERVISOR OF REGISTRATION
I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.
ROLAND X. DROIT

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination as your county Judge. I will appreciate your vote and support in the primaries you, as in the past, efficient, and courteous operation of the office.
THOS. A. MCNICHOLAS

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to now that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I become Clerk, I shall continue the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.
Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETTY

FOR STATE SENATOR
In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with a full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare and advancement of the citizens I represent as a whole.
Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.
WILBUR C. KING



# THE SUN

VOLUME XIX—NUMBER 17 AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 1944 THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 28, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1932



Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.


## Our Men In The Service

BOATSWAIN WELLS HEARD FROM

Chief Warrant Officer Boatswain Bernard Wells, who was taken prisoner by the Japs at the fall of Guam, over two years ago, was allowed to broadcast a brief message to his mother, Mrs. Lucy Wells, a few days ago. He was the subject of the broadcast by the Navy in the following wire: "Following short wave broadcast from Japan has been intercepted. Dear Mother: I am feeling well and received two letters and package last year. Love, signed Bernard. United States Navy." This broadcast supplements previous official report received from International Red Cross.

Carlton, Provost Marshal General.

Boatswain Wells, who has served 20 years in the Navy, was captured when the Japs took Guam December 14, 1941. He is held prisoner at Santang Prison Camp, Shinkoa, Japan, on island six miles long, separated from the mainland by the Inland Sea, southwest of the south part of Japan, according to information furnished Mrs. Wells.

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Troy Wells, eastern record clerk in the Navy, another son of Mrs. Lucy Wells, is stationed at Williamsburg, Va., at Camp Perry. He expects to see Avon Park shortly, but hopes to secure leave for a visit something this month. Troy was in the Coast Guard, in civil service to a metal finisher, for 14 years, before entering the Navy.

Gilbert A. Stratton, Jr., who has spent the past six years in the merchant marine, is home this week on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stratton. Young Stratton, starting from the bottom has advanced in the merchant marine service to the rating of Second Officer on his ship, which is not only near to the head seat, but is a very responsible position, as any seafaring man can tell you. His last boat was used from a ship which put in to what destination, he couldn't say. Anyway, he will be out there somewhere on a hauling job to get the stuff where it is needed.

Letters from Corporal Ike Harden with his engineers outfit in New Guinea, says that he is enjoying The Sun and receives it quite regularly. He says it is hot as "blue blazes," but that he is fine—has lost 15 pounds.

Pfc. Eldred Starkey, stationed with his M. P. Battalion at Columbia, S. C., is confined to the base hospital with pneumonia, according to word received by his mother Mrs. Parks.

Hildred H. (Buttercup) Mathis, lodge and Marion Mathis, both seamen 1/c, Merchant Marine, left last night for Savannah, Ga., after spending several days here at their homes. They have recently completed their training at the St. Petersburg Marine base.

Pvt. Charles Lawhon, who is spending a furlough here at his home, will leave Sunday for Augusta, Ga., where he will be stationed at Daniel Field.

Mrs. H. C. Worden is in receipt of a letter from her brother, Pvt. R. V. Knowles, who is stationed with his battalion of anti-aircraft band, that he is confined to a hospital, but hoped to be released soon, and to rejoin his company.

Another brother, Lt. J. W. Knowles, stationed in Italy, was recently pictured in Life Magazine with his quartermaster company, of which he is the commanding officer.

Malcolm Watters of Sebring, well known to many friends in Avon Park, has been promoted from the rank of captain to major this week. Major Watters, 23, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Watters, and is stationed at the Venice Air Field.

Cpl. Phillip LaFlam is now stationed at Fort Pierce, instructing in demolition amphibious training. He is attached to the Navy. LaFlam has put in five years in the army, 42 months of his time in the Panama Canal Zone.

Captain Devon Reddick, with his heavy artillery outfit, headquarters battery, is now stationed in the Hawaiian Islands. He writes that he is getting along fine.

T/Sgt. Clair Parks, stationed at the Mississippi Ordnance Plant in Jackson, is spending his furlough here with relatives.

Pvt. Bill Croft, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Croft, who has been home on sick leave from his station at Camp Reynolds, Pa., is now confined to the hospital at Drew Field.




## Postal Rates To Be Raised On March 26

### *Increases Made In Postage and Service Fees*

Effective March 26, sharp increases in postal rates will go into effect, according to announcement of the post office department.

All first class mail will require a 3-cent stamp, whether for mailing in town or out of town.

Parcel post rates, fees for insurance, registration, money orders, COD mail, senders' return receipts, and restricted delivery will be increased, Postmaster D. G. Perry stated today.

Parcel post rates will increase approximately 2 percent. Money order fees will be increased to 10c to 25c from the old rate of 8c to 20c, for money orders ranging from one cent to $100, he said.

Registered mail goes to 20c to $1.25. The old rate was 15c to $1.00. This is for valuations of from one cent to $1000.

Insured mail is raised to 10c to 75c from instead of 5c to 60c, the old rate.

Fees on COD parcels are increased to 25c to 90c where the old rate was 12c to 75c, for up to $100.00 in value. There are no changes in COD fees for first class mail.

On return receipts, the new rate is 4c, where it was formerly 2c. Restricted delivery rate is now 20c, just double the old rate of 10c. This fee is charge for delivery only to the person addressed.

Air mail rates have increased from 6 cents to 8 cents, for domestic mail.

## Tom Dimberline Enters Sheriff's Race This Week

Tom Dimberline of Sebring announces this week that he is a candidate for sheriff. He qualified last week. He will oppose Deputy Commissioner and H. G. Long of Sebring and Will Roberts of Avon Park.

Dimberline came to this county in 1916 from Ohio. He served overseas in World War I for 19 months, and is one of the youngest veterans of that conflict, having enlisted at the age of 15. Returning from the war, he attended the University of Florida for two years, and for fifteen years was engaged in the grove caretaking business in the Sebring area. He sold out this business five years ago and has been city superintendent of public works for the City of Sebring since that time. This is his first time out in county politics.

Dimberline is married and has a son, Reggie in the infantry at Fort Meade, Maryland, about ready to go overseas. He is a member of the American Legion, Masonic lodge and the Woodmen of the World. He is probably best known around town for his ballplaying, having pitched for the Sebring Firemen for a number of years, when that team was a hot contender in the Orange Belt league several years ago.

## *"The Late Mr. Early" To be Presented Friday, March 17*

The high school students witnessed several clever pre-view sketches that were staged by the cast of "The Late Mr. Early" on Friday morning in the school auditorium. This was a prelude to the ticket sales for the play which is being presented by the Junior Class next Friday night, March 17th at the High School Auditorium. Mrs. Anna Belle Worden is in charge of the production. Rehearsals have been in full swing for three weeks, and the show promises to be the highlight in the field of entertainment.

Tickets will be on sale for the next week, and the admission will be 55c for adults, and 35c for students and service men.

The complete cast includes: Catherine Clark, Lillian White, Margie Flowers, Winifred Arber, Alfred Engelmann, Betty Lynn Helms, Velma Stewart, Margaret Harper, Morris Suggs, Ronald Trimpe, James Perdue, Sammy Longbottom, Edward Sturdivant, Jimmy Philpott.

## Highlands County Sends Fifty-Nine Men To Blanding

The following Highlands County men (all white) left Thursday, March 9 for Camp Blanding for their pre-induction physical:

Avon Park: Luther Willard Johnson, Walter Henry Smith, William H. Prescott, Earl Robinson, David Melton Earnest, Robert Allen Anderson, George Lightsey, James Everett Martin, Charles Cecil Best, Grady Lee Campbell, Robert Gale Parr, Rufus Jackson Ehrman, James Hilton Elder, Robert Sylvester Massey, Zed Charles Scarborough, James Franklin Castine, George Hershman Roberson, W. E. Kelley, Sam Phillip Robinson.

Sebring: Eugene Oren Douglas, Jr., James Morton Chandler, Ernest Edward Lewis, Samuel Perry Cooper, Lester Carnes, Roy Lee Belcher, Ralph Jake Gillis, John Brattle Earl, John Daniel Bush, Alva Collins, John Dillard Williams, Myles Collier, James Edward Keister, Randall Wm. G. McKlinnish, Calip Murray Wall, Harry Laron Perry, Julian Walt McAdams, Edward Carl Taylor.

Lake Placid: Ruben Willard Johnson, Buddie Moser, Paul Austin Simpson, William Ensign Reynolds, Albert Hendricks, Howell Jack Pattishall.

Robert Cecil Hunt, James Vernon Pervine, Hicoria; Ellis Smith, Lorida; Jordan Sheppard, Venus; Cleo Carter, Ft. Basinger.

Transferred to this board from other boards to report to Camp Blanding: Richard Archbold, New York, N. Y.; James Shields, Jewett, Clewiston, Fla.; Lloyd Tomlinson, Belle Glade, Fla.; Nathaniel Owens Burkett, Crestview, Fla.

## *Teachers To Hold Annual Conference In Sebring Tuesday*

The annual conference of Highlands county teachers will be held from 9:30 a. m. until 3:30 p. m. Tuesday in Sebring, it was announced this week by white members of the county, Col. F. N. K. Bailey, county superintendent of schools and Mrs. Maude Yawn, county supervisor of elementary education are expected to attend.

The public has been invited to hear Dr. Robert P. Gowan, of Florida Southern college, nationally known educator, who will speak about 2:30 p. m. Group meetings for the teachers will be held following his address. M. Mitchell Ferguson, supervising principal of Sebring schools, will preside at the general assembly meeting called for 2:00 p. m.

White schools through the county will be dismissed at their noontime closing hour.

The general assembly program which will start at 2 p. m. will begin with the invocation by A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal of Avon Park schools. There will be greetings from Colonel Bailey and music in charge of Mrs. Frank Morgan, county supervisor of elementary music. Dr. McGowan then will speak.

There will be a 10 minute intermission following his talk and this will precede three group meetings. Meetings will center around these topics: "Revision of Report Cards," "Attendance and Delinquency," and "Wartime Guidance."

Mrs. Charles Shepherd of Avon Park will be chairman and Mrs. Rena Hespenheide of Venus, co-chairman for the group meeting of teachers of grades one, two and three.

Miss Norma Swanson of Sebring will be chairman and Mrs. Mary Steele of Lake Placid, co-chairman for the group meeting of teachers of grades four, five and six. Mrs. Ethel M. Seaverns of Lake Placid will be chairman and Mrs. Julia A. Titus of Sebring co-chairman for the group meeting of teachers of junior and senior high school.

The conference has been arranged by the planning board of Highlands county schools.

## *Two Officers Install New Silver Runways*

(From HIGH SCORE)

Double run-ways appeared this week supplanting former single stripes when Lts. Henry A. Berhardt and Louis Stein secured material from PX silver counter and installed the double metalic bars on collars and announced their promotions to Captain by passing out proverbial cigars.

Captain Bernhardt is Base Statistical Officer, Captain Stein is in charge of Quartermaster clothing warehouses.

## PTA Program For March Features Music

### *Welfare Reports Show Activities; Elect in April*

The program of the March meeting of the Parent Teachers' Association at the auditorium on Thursday afternoon featured musical numbers by students of the high school. With Miss Barbara Betts as her piano accompanist, Madge Pilcher played a clarinet solo, "Andantine." This was followed by a trombone solo, "Dark Eyes" by Glenn Whitcomb, accompanied by Madge, who was also at the piano, when Dorothy Jane Walker sang a vocal solo, "Trees."

Rev. O. E. Burton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, led the devotionals, choosing as his text, verses from Galatians, 5th Chapter.

Mrs. Alice Sherman read an article, "Dear Mother and Father" from the current issue of Parent-Teachers Magazine. The article was written by Katherine Lenroot, chief of the children's bureau, Department of Labor.

H. J. Mammau, president at the business meeting that followed the program. Among committee reports was the one given by Mrs. Durrh Martin, child welfare chairman, in which she reported that there had been very little demand for clothing to be given out this year, except for one or two special requests. She reported only four free lunches were being served each day at the PTA lunch room.

Mrs. E. G. Todd, warfare chairman, spoke of the activities of this department, mentioning especially the splendid work being accomplished by Mrs. J. A. Johnson, who visited the grammar school one day each week, in the interest of Defense Stamp sales. The sales are meeting with a fine response from the children, it was said.

Upon recommendation of the executive board, the organization voted to have a costume room built at the grammar school building. Members also voted to bear the expenses incurred in connection with the forthcoming achievement tests, to be conducted in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

The president appointed a nominating committee composed of Mrs. Devon Reddick, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, and Mrs. H. E. Keller, to report at the April meeting. The new officers will be elected at this time.

Mrs. H. C. Worden, director of the junior class play, announced that the play entitled "The Late Mr. Early" would be presented at the auditorium on Friday evening, March 17.

Mr. Wilhite announced the annual conference of Highlands county teachers to be held in Sebring next Tuesday. He also mentioned that a new schedule for the opening and closing of school would go into effect in April the exact time to be announced later.

He reported the success of the recent scrap drive, stating that approximately 100,000 pounds of scrap was collected. This represents fifty tons of scrap, of which about five or six tons was paper.

It was announced that a fashion show by the Home Economics department will be held at the next meeting.

In the room count, prizes were awarded to Miss Vera Ray's fourth grade for the elementary school, and the 12th grade, of which Miss Marie Anderson is home room teacher, for the high school.

## *April 1 Deadline For Homestead Exemption Filing*

Homeowners are reminded by Tax Assessor P. G. Gearing that March is the last month for filing applications for homestead exemptions. April 1st is the last day.

Mrs. T. J. McGinnis at E. W. Hartt insurance office has the proper forms and tax returns and will take applications. Persons applying the first time should apply in person at the Assessor's office, should bring deed to property for proper description.

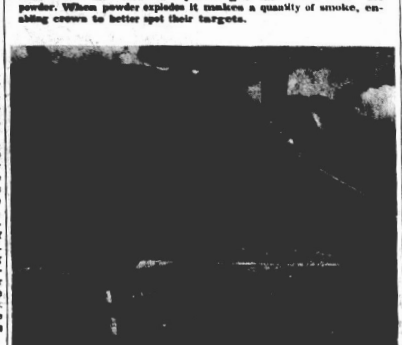
Gearing is arranging to have an Avon Park branch office in charge of Mrs. McGinnis open from March 20 through the end of the month.

BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS

## Practice Bundles For Berlin - - -



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT — Bomb crews at APAAF polish up their skilled talents by using practice bombs filled with sand. Shown above in actual process of filling practice bombs are, L/R—Sgts. Nick Pisch, Mike Kuczaj and Pfc. John Kitale. In preparing one of these bombs, 96 pounds of sand are used, four pounds of black powder, and an ordinary shot gun shell. When bomb hands the concussion explodes gun shell which sets off powder. When powder explodes it makes a quantity of smoke, enabling crews to better spot their targets.



PLACING FOR PLASTERING — Two unidentified GI's at AP AAF are placing practice bombs beneath a B-17 to be loaded and used in bombing missions over practice targets at APAAF. Bombs are loaded and ready for use when they are delivered to planes for loading.

(From HIGH SCORE)

## *Tell Final Totals On Bond Sales In 4th War Loan Drive*

Final figures on the amount of war savings bonds sold in Highlands county during the nation's Fourth War Loan campaign totaled $862,192.36 which is $423,-992.36 above the quota of $438,200.

The final figure, which nearly doubles the quota, represents bond sales in this county during the months of January and February, according to Guignard Maxcy, chairman of the campaign in this county.

Bond sales at the various receiving agencies in the county were as follows: Tropical State Bank, $337,632.50; Sebring post office, $21,881.25; Hendricks Field, $97,-075; Avon Park post office, $16,-749.50; Avon Park Army Air Base, $80,786.56; Barnett bank of Avon Park, $218,150; out of county donations credited to Avon Park quota, $37,500; Lake Placid, $52,317.55; DeSoto City, $100.

## *Special Services Being Held at Church of Nazarene*

Special services are being held at the Church of the Nazarene on DeSoto and Main streets, beginning on Wednesday of this week, and continuing until March 26. Rev. Martin S. Cooper is the evangelist, and Mrs. Cooper is the musician and singer, and special music is being heard on the accordion. Pfc. Dan Parson of Hendricks Field is playing a Marimbn, which the church has rented for this special purpose, at the services. Services each evening at eight o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited.

## *S-Sgt. Tom B'hend Flies To West Coast*

S/Sgt. Tom B'hend, Editor of High Score, was called to Pasadena, Calif., Wednesday afternoon because of the serious illness of his mother. He left by plane from Tampa Thursday morning.

## *Basketball Team Has Buffet Supper Saturday Evening*

As a fitting climax to the close of a successful basketball season, the team was entertained at a buffet supper at the Paul Garber home on Saturday evening. Tables were arranged on the side porch for cards, and there, also was served the delicious buffet supper. Mrs. Garber and Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb were in charge of arrangements.

Members of the team present were Bobby Keller, Louis Couchaine, Billy Walker, J. C. Walker, Earl Varnes, E. C. Wever, Glenn Whitcomb, Fred Montadecca, and John Garber.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Rev. and Mrs. Emmanuel Hedgebeth, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carter, and Mrs. and Mrs. Garebr.

## *Baker Says He's Pleased With Race*

Orlando, March 9 — Following a swing into northwestern and northeastern counties Senator Ed Baker, candidate for governor, returned to his state headquarters here today and expressed himself as well pleased with his contacts with key men in those areas.

Baker declared, "Interest in politics is running nearly a month later than usual. Our people are engaged in war production, attending the needs of service boys, working in various stages of agricultural production and serving our unexpectedly large number of winter visitors. Local races will serve to 'warm up' most counties after March 17 qualifying date and candidates for governor will have plenty of time to arouse interest in the various issues to be introduced before the first primary."

Having decided to open his active campaign at the place of his birth, Plant City, Baker thereafter will appear in every county while following a schedule of four to five speeches daily.

## Red Cross To Open Drive Here Monday

### *Program Opens At School House For Campaign*

As a stimulus to the opening of the Red Cross Drive to begin Tuesday morning, March 14. A Red Cross War Fund Drive program will be presented at the high school auditorium at 7:45 Monday evening, March 13.

The program will open with music by the Avon Park high school band, who under the direction of Miss Barbara Betts, will play the following numbers: "El Capitan March, (J. P. Sousa); "Merry Maiden Overture, (James Fulton); "Selections From Gilbert & Sullivan," (Arr. by Yoder); "Circus Parade," Novelty (Paul Yoder).

A talk by Captain Paul Thomas, member of the 88th Bomb Group, 317th Bomb Squadron, Avon Park Army Air Field will follow.

Special music by members of the 740th Band, APAAF, will be a delightful feature, preceding a number by a "Comedian of Radio Fame.

The high school band will follow with a number, "Kashimiri Song" (Woodforde-Finden); and a baritone solo by James Perdue.

The speaker for the evening will be Mrs. Laura Bacon, National Red Cross organizer, who will give authenic information in a pleasing manner to the large group it is anticipated will attend.

Every one is cordially invited to attend and enjoy the program, which is being arranged by J. Paul Garber, Avon Park chairman for the 1944 Red Cross War Fund Drive. A week of intensified activity will begin with the meeting Monday night, to be followed by a house to house canvass.

Major C. W. Roberts, public relations officer at the APAAF, is the executive head of the drive at both the air base and at the Avon Aviation Military Academy. Donations from both will be credited to Avon Park's quota.

A goal of $13,000 has been set for Highlands County, which is divided into quotas of $6,000 for Avon Park, $6,000 for Sebring, and $1,000 for the remainder of the county.

Anyone who will assist in making the house to house canvass is requested to contact Mr. Garber, or R. R. Brown, co-chairman, of the drive in this city.

There will be a meeting of the canvassers in the Customer's Room of the Florida Public Service company Monday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. The city-wide canvass will get into full swing Tuesday morning.

## *Roger Sappington Recommended For Eagle Scout*

A special Board of Review composed of E. G. Todd, Dr. M. Jordon, M. G. Whitcomb, W. C. Hutchinson and A. B. Wilhite met at the Scout Hall Wednesday evening to examine Roger Sappington on the requirements of the rank of Eagle Scout.

Roger was reviewed on the twenty-one Merit Badge subjects in which he has qualified during the past three years and showed a surprising versatility and knowledge of the various subjects. The required Merit Badges are swimming, first aid, life saving, personal health, public health, cooking, camping, civics, bird study, pioneering, pioneering, safety, and athletics. Those of his own choosing were bookbinding, carpentry, music, stamp collecting, chemistry, firemanship, scholarship and rowing.

His character, personality, general conduct, helpfulness, school record and leadership qualifications were considered and, by a unanimous vote of the board, he was recommended to the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America for the award of the coveted rank of Eagle Scout.

## *APAAF Band Now Under AAF Control*

APAAF's 740th Army band, formerly the 440th Army Air Forces band, last week passed from direct Army control and has been placed under jurisdiction of the Army Air Forces. Designation of the crack musical outfit will remain the same. Personnel and administration was not affected in the change.

## Lodwick Avitaion Military Academy Opens New Dept.

School officials announced today that in addition to the flight, academic maintenance and other departments, a new phase has been added combining the maintenance and scheduled operations of all Army and School vehicles under the newly created Transportation Department.

Through the efficient operation of this department much vital rubber and gasoline may be conserved by pooling resources and obtaining the maximum use from the minimum amount of equipment.

This change creates the new and as yet unfilled position of Transportation Manager. It is hoped that this office may be filled by a resident of Avon Park possessing the following qualifications:

Married, draft exempt, a working knowledge of automotive maintenance and repair and a background containing some supervisory experience and business management.

For full particulars, contact G. P. Emerson, Airport, Avon Park.

War Bonds should mean something more to you than just "a good sound investment." Figure it out yourself.

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## FLOWERS

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Phone 27-W




NAZARENE EVANGELISTS—Rev. and Mrs. Marvin S. Cooper will conduct special services at the Church of the Nazarene, DeSoto and West Main, each evening at 8 o'clock, March 5 to 26. Rev. Cooper was evangelist in a Revival meeting here about a year ago.

### *"TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY"*

(BY RUSSELL KAY)

Thinking Americans, who have watched with growing concern the steady encroachment of the Administrative branch of our government upon the Legislative and Judicial, with the attendant breaking down of those constitutional checks and balances, designed from the beginning to safeguard and protect the people, breathed sighs of genuine relief, when at long last, under the courageous leadership of Democratic leader, Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, Congress, voicing the will of an overwhelming majority of the people, openly revolted.

Unfortunate as it is that such action should be forced at a time when this nation is involved in war and while our enemies can be depended upon to make the most of it, nevertheless, it had to come and the best interests of all will be served as a result of it.

Rebuke and slurs on the Congress, by whoever made, are rebukes and slurs on the American people themselves, for Congress stands alone as the people's voice in government. During this trying period Congress has time and time again permitted itself to bow to the dictatorial will of the Administration, to serve the war effort and safeguard the nation it has grown in administrative hands more power than was ever so placed in the nation's history.

America is at the cross-roads. The people of this great nation must decide now whether we wish to maintain this government within the framework of the Constitution and preserve the glorious heritage earned for us by the blood, sweat and tears of our forefathers, or whether we wish to accept the role of serfs and slaves to a dictatorial, bureaucratic system that offering so-called "security" robs us of our freedom.

We must decide now, whether we wish to maintain our personal and sectional independence, stand on our own feet, solve our own problems, preserve our self-respect and individual initiative or whether we prefer to become helpless wards of an all-sufficient, all-powerful governmental system that looks upon us as "children" and assumes the role of a benevolent parent that will "look after" us and supply all our wants from the cradle to the grave if we are "good" or whip us and send us to bed without any supper if we fail to strictly observe every rule, edict or "egulation laid down as mandatory by some pipequeak bureaucratic chief.

With our minds centered on the international scene and our hearts eager to do all in our power to further the war effort and get it over with so that our loved ones may return, and we may enjoy the fruits of victory, we are apt to overlook what is happening in America at home. Little by little, step by step, our form of government is being made over, changed to fit a pattern entirely foreign to true Democracy and designed to so enslave the populace that under the burden of debt and bureaucratic governmental control they will be powerless to resist and subject to the autocratic will of those in power.

The road we have been traveling the past few years is not a new road, on the contrary, it is an old old road, traveled many times before by other nations to their sorrow and ultimate doom. It is a road that begins with glittering lights of hope and promise, but ends in darkness and oblivion. We are attracted to it as moths to the flame, with catch phrases and platitudes that appeal to our inherent selfishness and greed. Lulled to sleep with glib promises of "abundance" and "security" we exchange our birthright of freedom and independence to become mere puppets of autocratic overlords.

Entrenched within the framework of the Administration today are many fanatical theorists who as advisors and policy makers are doing everything in their power to completely wreck our governmental structure and set up a fantastic, socialistic, paternalistic, totalitarian system in its stead. They had made considerable progress with their plans before the war but found the emergency a perfect blind for the expansion and promotion of their program. Patriotic citizens hesitated to question any administrative action no matter how brazen and accepted sacrifices, surrendered liberties, submitted to indignities and injustices consoling themselves that all this was "only temporary."

But, is it all chargable to the war emergency? Is it only temporary? Much as we would like to think so, every indication points to a well-planned and deliberate scheme of a group in the "inner-circle" to bring about a complete and permanent change in the American way of life.

As individual citizens it will be our privilege to give tangible expression to our wishes in the coming election. We will do well to select those we choose to represent us with the utmost care. It is your duty and obligation to register and vote and if you have not already done so, make sure you are qualified. Absenteeism at the ballot box can be even more disastrous to the nation's welfare than absenteeism on the assembly line. This time, mumbled lip service to the Constitution is not enough, demand that the candidate of your choice really means it in his heart.


**PARK THEATRE**
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THURSDAY & FRIDAY
*"The Human Comedy"*
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MICKEY ROONEY
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SATURDAY
*"Here Comes Elmer"*
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*"What A Woman"*
Starring
ROSALIND RUSSELL
BRIAN AHERNE
"The best picture Rosalind ever made."
SMASH COMEDY
— Also —
NEWS and "DUTY & THE BEAST"

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
DOUBLE FEATURE PROGRAM
*"Somewhere in France"*
Starring
CONSTANCE CUMMINS
And a Picture brought back by special deemand of the public
*"You Can't Take It With You"*
— With —
JAMES STEWART
JEAN ARTHUR
The picture is one of the most talked about pictures that has ever been made. Don't miss it this time.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
Another Sensash Hit from Red Skelton, this time with, Lucille Ball . . . .
Remember "Red" in "I DOOD IT" and "Lucille" in "Best Foot Forward". Together they make,
*"Dubarry Was A Lady"*
— Also —
"Royal Araby" and News

SATURDAY
DOUBLE FEATURE PROGRAM
*"Guancho Serenade"*
*"He's My Guy"*
"Best Pictures of the Week" are 'Dubarry was a Lady, Human Comedy, and "You Can't take it with you."


NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1462

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Lloyd A. and Emma Jean Zorn, 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. 982
Year of Issuance 1935
Description of Property: Lots 9 and 10, Block 3 McAuley's addition Per Plat 1, Pages 47 & 48, in Section 31, Township 34 South, Range 28 East.
Name in which assessed J. G. Beardsley.

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 April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1944.
H. T. PIETY,
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida.
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
March 3, 10, 17, 24.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1462

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that E. O. Hunt, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 616
Year of Issuance: 1928
Description of Property: SE¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ of Section 31 Township 39 South, Range 29 East, 10 Acres
Name in which assessed — Unknown.

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

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

Dated this 29th day of February, 1944.
H. T. PIETY,
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida.
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
March 3, 10, 17, 24


SAVE RENT — HANDY MAN'S OPPORTUNITY
$100 CASH balance monthly buys house, bath, large lot.
Lake Front property could be arranged several small apartments. Good income. $500 cash balance monthly.
$700 Buys lot near High School, $1150 with house. — McCORKLE Box 57 — 225 Tulane Circle


IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY
CHANCERY NO. 5135-C
BILL FOR DIVORCE
JAMES W. SAUCIER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ANNA M. SAUCIER,
Defendant.
NOTICE TO APPEAR TO THE DEFENDANT, ANNA M. SAUCIER:

You are hereby notified that on the 23rd day of November, A. D., 1943, James W. Saucier filed his Bill of Complaint in the above Court against you, the nature of the same being to procure a Decree of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii.

You are hereby required to file your appearances to the said Bill of Complaint in the said Court on or before the 6th day of March, 1944 or Judgment by default will be entered against you.

WITNESS the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, and the signature of the Clerk thereof this 10th day of February, A. D., 1944.
H. T. PIETY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court
(SEAL) By J. C. DESHONG,
Deputy Clerk
S. COLQUITT PARKER
Attorney for Plaintiff.
204 Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
March 3, 10, 17, 24

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Certificate No. 615
Year of Issuance: 1936
Description of Property: NW¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ & NE¼ of NW¼ of NW¼ of Section 31, Township 39 South, Range 29 East 20 acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

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

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

Dated this 29th day of February, 1944.
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Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk
March 3, 10, 17, 24

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Certificate No. 614
Year of Issuance: 1936
Description of Property: SW¼ of NE¼ of Section 34, Township 39 South, Range 29 East, 10 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 April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.

Dated this 29th day of February, 1944.
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Deputy Clerk.

## CLASSIFIED ADS


FOR SALE — Red and Copper skin sweet potato plants 50c, 100; $4, 1000, 5000 up, $3-1000. Rushing & Son, 2101 N. W. 63rd St. Miami. Feb. 25 - March 3.

PERMANENT WAVE. — 89c! Do your own Permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment including 40 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely safe. Praised by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. S. S. Thayer Jacaranda Drug Co.

FULLER BRUSHES, — Edgar Stauffer, 33 S. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Mar. 10

LOST — Four ration books and one gas ration book. Books in name of Carr. Reward. Return to Robert B. Carr, Trailer Park. 1tpd.

LOST MONDAY — Billfold containing gas tickets, driver's license, social security card and cattle. Initials B. B. Finder keep money, return balance to Box 604.

WANTED — Capable grove man, who understands tractor driving; House furnished. P. C. Morrell, 200 N. Verona Ave. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — Lakefront furnished homes. $3000 and $2800. Half cash, balance terms. Phone 251. C. T. Ratliff, Wauchula. Mar. 3-13

LOST TUESDAY —Small pocketbook containing $400 in bills. Belongs to man in service. Reward for return. Dessie McDaniels (colored) Box 934.


NOTICE TO CREDITORS

You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of CLARA F. COY, deceased, late of said county, to the County Judge of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing and must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant and must be sworn to by the claimant, his agent or his attorney, or the same will become void according to law.

This 16th day of February, 1944.
CORA COY CANFIELD
Administratrix of the Estate of CLARA F. COY, Deceased.
First Publication on February 18th, 1944.
Feb. 18, 25, March 3, 10.

IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933

Re Estate of:
GEORGE F. SMITH, 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 George F. Smith, 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 twelve months from the date of the first publication hereof.

You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney.

Date of first publication January 7, 1944.

FRED M. SMITH
Administrator of Said Estate.
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3.

REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the registration books of Highlands County, Florida, will be open in each precinct in the county from Feb. 8 to March 6 for the registration of all those wishing to participate in the Primary Election, to be held May 2, 1944.

Those who have once registered in the Primary books do not have to register, but your name must appear on the books for you to be able to vote in the primary.

The books will close in the precincts March 6 after which voters may register in the registration office in the court house until the night of April 15, 1944.

The precinct registration officers who will have the books in their respective precincts are:

AVON PARK —
No. 1: Sun Office.
No. 1A.: L. D. Roberts Pressing Club.
No. 1B: Harris Tourist Camp.
SEBRING —
No. 2: Yarbrough's Drug Store.
No. 2A: McAdams Service Station.
No. 2B: Registration Office, court house.
DESOTO CITY —
No. 3: Post Office, Mrs. Burch.
LAKE PLACID —
No. 4: McAuley's' Store.
VENUS —
No. 5: Morgan's Store.
HICORIA —
No. 6: Mr. Shackleford, post office.
BASSENGER —
No. 7: Post Office, Mrs. Williams.
BRIGHTON —
No. 8: Post Office.
SUNNILAND —
No. 9: Post Office, Tave Waldron.

ROLAND X. DROIT
Supervisor of Registration
Highlands County

## Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.

DAN YOUNG

FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announced opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

FOR CONSTABLE

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as Chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

FOR CONSTABLE, FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

WILEY SAULS

FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination as your county Judge. I will appreciate your vote and support, and promise you, as in the past, efficient and courteous operation of the office.

THOS. A. MCNICHOLAS

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I ... this policy of "prompt, effic... and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

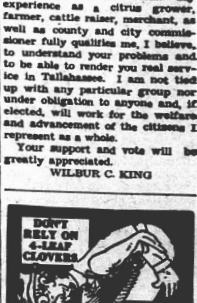
Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

FOR STATE SENATOR

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare and advancement of the citizens I represent as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING



# THE SUN

VOLUME XIX—NUMBER 17 — AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 1944 — THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 — THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 26, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1943


Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

BOATSWAIN WELLS HOME FROM

Chief Warrant Officer Boatswain Bernard Wells, who was taken prisoner by the Japs at the fall of Guam, over two years ago, was allowed to broadcast a brief message to his mother, Mrs. Lacy Blum a few days ago. She was advised of the broadcast by the Navy in the following wire: "Following short wave broadcast from Japan has been intercepted. 'Dear Mother: I am feeling well and received two letters of yours June last year. Love, signed Bernard. United States Navy." This broadcast completes the previous official report received from International Red Cross.

Gallion, Provost Marshal General.

Boatswain Wells, who has served 19 years in the Navy, was captured when the Japs took Guam December 14, 1941. He is held prisoner at Sentenji Prison Camp, Shikoku, Japan, an island six miles long, separated from the mainland by the Inland Sea, southwest of the main part of Japan, according to information furnished Mrs. Blum.

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Troy Wells, seaman second class in the Navy, another son of Mrs. Lacy Blum, is stationed at Williamsburg, Va., at Camp Perry. He expects to see one duty more, but hopes to come home for a visit sometime this month. Troy was in the Canal Zone, in civil service as a metal finisher, for 14 years, before enlisting in the Navy.

Gilbert A. Stebbins, Jr., who has spent the past six years in the merchant marine, is home this week on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stebbins. Young Stebbins, starting from the bottom, has climbed in the merchant marine service to the rating of steward Officer on his ship, which is not only near to the head man, but is a very responsible position, as any seafaring man can tell you. He has just returned from a trip to Africa and North Africa as a sailor. He was accompanied home by his wife, who makes her home in Jacksonville, and is employed in a stenographical position. Stebbins expects to go to sea again, as soon as he can get a shipmate job, or to whom it may concern, he wouldn't say. Anyway, he will be out there somewhere on a hunting job to get the stuff where it is needed.

Letters from Corporal Ike Harden with his engineers outfit in New Orleans, says that he is getting The Sun and receives it quite regularly. He says it is hot as "blue blazes," but that he is fine —has lost 15 pounds.

Pfc. Eldred Stanley, stationed with his M. P. battalion at Columbia, S. C., is confined to the base hospital with pneumonia, according to word received by his mother Mrs. Parks.

Hildred H. (Buttercup) Rutledge and Marion Mathis, both seamen first class, Merchant Marine, left last night for Savannah, Ga., after spending several days here at their homes. They have recently completed their training at the St. Petersburg Marine base.

Pvt. Charles Lawhon, who is spending a furlough here at his home, will leave Sunday for Augusta, Ga., where he will be stationed at Daniel Field.

Mrs. H. C. Worden is in receipt of a letter from her brother, Pvt. A. V. Knowles, who is stationed with his infantry outfit in England, that he is confined to a hospital, but hoped to be released soon, and to rejoin his company.

Another brother, Lt. J. W. Knowles, stationed in Italy, recently pinned on Life Magazine with his quartermaster company, of which he is the commanding officer.

Malcolm Watters of Sebring, well known to many friends in Avon Park, has been promoted from the rank of captain to major this week. Major Watters, 23, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Watters, and is stationed at the Venice Air Field.

Cpl. Phillip LaFlam is now stationed at Fort Pierce, instructing in demolition amphibious training. He is attached to the Navy. LaFlam has put in five years in the army, 43 months of his time in the Panama Canal Zone.

Captain Dovlin Reddick, with his heavy artillery outfit, headquarters battery, is now stationed in the Hawaiian Islands. He writes that he is getting along fine.

Tpgt. Clair Parks, stationed at the Mississippi Ordnance Plant in Jackson, is spending his furlough here with relatives.

Pvt. Bill Croft, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Croft, who has been home on sick leave from his station at Camp Reynolds, Pa., is now confined to the hospital at Bradley Field.




## Postal Rates To Be Raised On March 26

### *Increases Made In Postage and Service Fees*

Effective March 26, sharp increases in postal rates will go into effect, according to announcement of the post office department.

All first class mail will require a 3 cent stamp, whether for mailing in town or out of town.

Parcel post rates, fees for insurance, registration, money orders, COD mail, senders' return receipts, and restricted delivery will be increased, Postmaster D. G. Perry stated today.

Parcel post rates will increase approximately 3 percent. Money order fees will be increased to 10c to 25c from the old rate of 8c to 30c, for amounts ordered ranging from one cent to $100, Perry said.

Registered mail goes to 20c to $1.35. The old rate was 15c to $1.00. This is for valuations of from one cent to $1000.

Insured mail is raised to 10c to 70c fees instead of 5c to 60c, the old rate.

Fees on COD parcels are increased to 24c to 90c where the old rate was 12c to 75c, for up to $500.00 value. There are no changes in COD fees for first class mail.

On return receipts, the new rate is 4c, where it was formerly 3c. Restricted delivery rate is now 20c, just double the old rate of 10c. This fee is charge for delivery only to the person addressed.

Air mail rates have increased from 6 cents to 8 cents, for domestic mail.

## Tom Dimberline Enters Sheriff's Race This Week

Tom Dimberline of Sebring announces this week that he is a candidate for sheriff. He qualified last week. He will oppose Doyle Schumacher and E. G. Long of Sebring and Will Roberts of Avon Park.

Dimberline came to this county in 1916 from Ohio. He served overseas in World War I for 19 months, and is one of the youngest veterans of that conflict, having enlisted at the age of 15. Returning from the war, he attended the University of Florida for two years, and for fifteen years was engaged in the grove caretaking business in the Sebring area. He sold out this business five years ago and has been city superintendent of public works for the City of Sebring since that time. This is his first time out in county politics.

Dimberline is married and has a son. Reggie in the infantry at Fort Meade, Maryland, about ready to go overseas. He is a member of the American Legion, Masonic lodge and the Woodmen of the World. He is probably best known around town for his ball-playing, having pitched for the Sebring Firemen for a number of years, when that team was a hot contender in the Orange Belt league several years ago.

### *"The Late Mr. Early" To be Presented Friday, March 17*

The high school students witnessed several clever pre-view sketches that were staged by the cast of "The Late Mr. Early" on Friday morning in the school auditorium. This was a prelude to the ticket sales for the play which is being presented by the Junior Class next Friday night, March 17th at the High School Auditorium. Mrs. Anna Belle Worden is in charge of the production. Rehearsals have been in full swing for three weeks, and the show promises to be the highlight in the field of entertainment.

Tickets will be on sale for the next week, and the admission will be 55c for adults, and 35c for students and service men.

The complete cast includes: Catherine Clark, Lillian White, Margie Flowers, Winifred Archer, Alfred Engelmann, Betty Lynn Helms, Velma Stewart, Margaret Harper, Morris Beggs, Ronald Trimpe, James Perdue, Sammy Longbottom, Edward Sturdivant, Jimmy Philpott.

## Highlands County Sends Fifty-Nine Men To Blanding

The following Highlands County men (all white) left Thursday, March 9 for camp Blanding for their pre-induction physical:

Avon Park: Luther Willard Johnson, Walter Henry Smith, William H. Prescott, Earl Robinson, David Melton Earnest, Robert Alton Anderson, George Lightsey, James Everett Martin, Charles Cecil Best, Grady Lee Campbell, Robert Gale Farr, Rufus Jackson Rhymes, James Ellen Elder, Robert Sylvester Massey, Ed Charlie Scarborough, James Franklin Rustine, George Hershman Roberson, W. E. Ke.ley, Sam Phillip Robinson.

Sebring: Eugene Oren Douglas, Jr., James Morton Chandler, Earnest Edward Lewis, Samuel Perry Cooper, Lester Carnes, Roy Eugene Belcher, Ralph Jake Giles, John Battle Jones, John Daniel Bush, Alva Collins, John Dillard Williams, Myles Collier, James Edward Keister, Randall Wm. G. McKlamidie, Calip Murray Farrell, Harry Lavon Perry, Julian Walk McAdams, Edward Carl Taylor.

Lake Placid: Ruben Willard Johnson, Buddie Messer, Paul Austin Simpson, William Ensign Reynolds, Albert Hendricks, Howell Jack Pattishall.

Robert Cecil Hunt, James Vernon Pervine, Hicoria; Ellis Smith, Lorida; Jordan Sheppard, Venus; Caro Carter, Ft. Basinger.

Transferred to this board from other boards to report to Camp Blanding: Richard Archbold, New York, N. Y.; James Shields, Jowers, Clewiston, Fla.; Lloyd Tomlinson, Belle Glade, Fla.; Nathaniel Owens Burkett, Crestview, Fla.

### *Teachers To Hold Annual Conference In Sebring Tuesday*

The annual conference of Highlands county teachers will be held from 2 to 5 p. m. next Tuesday in Sebring, it was announced. Some 65 white teachers of the county, Col. F. N. K. Bailey, county superintendent of schools and Mrs. Maude Yawn, county supervisor of elementary education are expected to attend.

The public has been invited to hear Dr. Robert F. Gowan of Florida Southern college, nationally known educator, who will speak about 2:30 p. m. Group meetings for the teachers will follow his address. M. Mitchell Ferguson, supervising principal of Sebring schools, will preside at the general assembly meeting called for 2:00 p. m.

White schools through the county will be dismissed at their noontime closing hour.

The general assembly program which will start at 2 p. m. will begin with the invocation by A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal of Avon Park schools. There will be greetings from Colonel Bailey and music in charge of Mrs. Frank Morgan, county supervisor of elementary music. Dr. McGowan then will speak.

There will be a 10 minute intermission following his talk and this will precede three group meetings. Meetings will center around these topics: "Revision of Report Cards," "Attendance and Delinquency," and "Wartime Guidance."

Mrs. Charles Shepherd of Avon Park will be chairman and Mrs. Rena Espenlaub of Venus, co-chairman for the group meeting of teachers of grades one, two and three.

Miss Norma Swanson of Sebring will be chairman and Mrs. Mary Steele of Lake Placid, co-chairman for the group meeting of teachers of junior and senior high schools.

The conference has been arranged by the planning board of Highlands county schools.

### *Two Officers Install New Silver Runways*

(From HIGH SCORE)

Double run-ways appeared this week supplanting former single stripes when Lts. Henry A. Bernhardt and Louis Stein secured material from PX silver counter and installed the double metalic bars on collars and announced their promotions to Captain by passing out prevoblel cigars.

Captain Bernhardt is Base Statistical Officer, Captain Stein is in charge of Quartermaster clothing warehouses.

## PTA Program For March Features Music

### *Welfare Reports Show Activities; Elect in April*

The program of the March meeting of the Parent Teachers' Association at the auditorium on Thursday afternoon, featured musical numbers by students of the high school. With Miss Barbara Betts as her piano accompanist, Madge Pilcher played a clarinet solo, "Andantine." This was followed by a trombone solo, "Dark Eyes" by Glenn Whitcomb, accompanied by Madge, who was also at the piano, when Dorothy Jane Walker sang a vocal solo, "Trees."

Rev. O. E. Barton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, led the devotionals, choosing as his text, verses from Galatians, 5th Chapter.

Mrs. Alice Sherman read an article, "Dear Mother and Father" from the current issue of Parent-Teachers Magazine. The article was written by Katherine Lenroot, chief of the children's bureau, Department of Labor.

H. J. Mammau, president presided at the business meeting that followed the program. Among committee reports was the one given by Mrs. Durn Martin, child welfare chairman, in which she reported that there had been very little demand for clothing to be given out this year, except for one or two special requests. She reported only four free lunches were being served each day at the PTA. lunch room.

Mrs. E. G. Todd, warfare chairman, spoke of the activities of this department, mentioning especially the splendid work being accomplished by Mrs. J. A. Johnson, who visited the grammar school one day each week, in the interest of Defense Stamp sales. The sales are meeting with a fine response from the children, it was said.

Upon recommendation of the executive board, the organization voted to have a costume room built at the grammar school building. Members also voted to bear the expenses incurred in connection with the forthcoming achievement tests, to be conducted in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

The president appointed a nominating committee composed of Mrs. Devon Reddick, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, and Mrs. H. E. Keller, to report at the April meeting. The new officers will be elected at this time.

Mrs. H. C. Worden, director of the junior class play, announced that the play entitled "The Late Mr. Early" would be presented at the auditorium on Friday evening, March 17.

Mr. Wilhite announced the annual conference of Highlands county teachers to be held in Sebring next Tuesday. He also mentioned that a new schedule for the opening and closing of school would go into effect in April the exact time to be announced later.

He reported the success of the recent scrap drive, stating that approximately 100,000 pounds of scrap was collected. This represented fifty tons of scrap, of which about five or six tons was paper.

It was announced that a fashion show by the Home Economics department will be held at the next meeting.

In the room count, prizes were awarded to Miss Vera Ray's fourth grade for the elementary school, and the 12th grade, of which Miss Marie Anderson is home room teacher, for the high school.

### *April 1 Deadline For Homestead Exemption Filing*

Homeowners are reminded by Tax Assessor P. G. Gearing that March is the last month for filing applications for homestead exemptions. April 1st is the last day.

Mrs. T. J. McGinnis at E. W. Hartt insurance office has the proper forms and tax returns and will take applications. Persons applying the first time should apply in person at the Assessor's office, should bring deed to property for proper description.

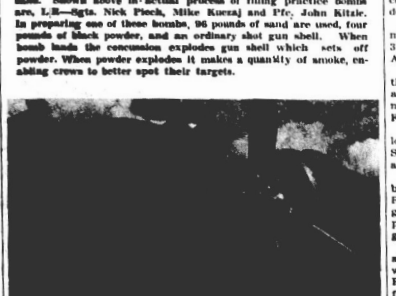
Gearing is arranging to have an Avon Park branch office in charge of Mrs. McGinnis open from March 20 through the end of the month.

BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS

## Practice Bundles For Berlin - - -



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT — Bomb crews at APAAF polish-up their skilled talents by using practice bombs filled with sand. Shown above in actual process of filling practice bombs are, L.R—Sgts. Nick Piech, Mike Kuczaj and Pfc. John Kitzle. In preparing one of these bombs, 96 pounds of sand are used, four pounds of black powder, and an ordinary shot gun shell. When bomb lands the concussion explodes gun shell which sets off powder. When powder explodes it makes a quantity of smoke, enabling crews to better spot their targets.



PLACING FOR PLASTERING — Two unidentified GI's at AF AAF are placing practice bombs beneath a B-17 to be loaded and used in bombing missions over practice targets at APAAF. Bombs are loaded and ready for use when they are delivered to planes for loading.

(From HIGH SCORE)

### *Tell Final Totals On Bond Sales In 4th War Loan Drive*

Final figures on the amount of war savings bonds sold in Highlands county during the nation's Fourth War Loan campaign totaled $862,192.36 which is $423,992.36 above the quota of $438,200.

The final figure, which nearly doubles the quota, represents bond sales in this county during the months of January and February, according to Guligard Maxcy, chairman of the campaign in this county.

Bond sales at the various receiving agencies in the county were as follows: Tropical State Bank, $337,632.50; Sebring post office, $21,881.25; Hendricks Field, $97,075; Avon Park post office, $16,749.50; Avon Park Army Air Base, $80,786.56; Barnett bank of Avon Park, $218,150; out of county donations credited to Avon Park quota, $37,500; Lake Placid, $52,317.55; DeSoto City, $100.

### *Special Services Being Held at Church of Nazarene*

Special services are being held at the Church of the Nazarene on DeSoto and Main streets, beginning on Wednesday of this week, and continuing until March 26. Rev. Martin S. Cooper is the evangelist, and Mrs. Cooper is the musician and singer, and special music is being heard on the accordion. Pfc. Dan Parson of Hendricks Field is playing a Marimba, which the church has rented for this special purpose, at the services. Services each evening at eight o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited.

### *S-Sgt. Tom B'hend Flies To West Coast*

S/Sgt. Tom B'hend, Editor of High Score, was called to Pasadena, Calif., Wednesday afternoon because of the serious illness of his mother. He left by plane from Tampa Thursday morning.

### *Basketball Team Has Buffet Supper Saturday Evening*

As a fitting climax to the close of a successful basketball season, the team was entertained at a buffet supper at the Paul Garber home on Saturday evening. Tables were arranged on the side porch for cards, and there, also was served the delicious buffet supper. Mrs. Garber and Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb were in charge of arrangements.

Members of the team present were Bobby Keller, Louis Couchaine, Billy Walker, J. C. Walker, Earl Varnes, E. C. Wever, Glenn Whitcomb, Fred Montadeca, and John Garber.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Rev. and Mrs. Emmanuel Hedgebeth, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carter, and Mrs. and Mrs. Garebr.

### *Baker Says He's Pleased With Race*

Orlando, March 9 — Following a swing into northwestern and northeastern counties Senator Ed Baker, candidate for governor, returned to his state headquarters here today and expressed himself as well pleased with his contacts with key men in those areas.

Baker declared, "Interest in politics is running nearly a month later than usual. Our people are engaged in war production, attending the needs of service boys, working in various stages of agricultural production and serving our unexpectedly large number of winter visitors. Local races will serve to 'warm up' most counties after March 17 qualifying date and candidates for governor will have plenty of time to arouse interest in the various issues to be introduced before the first primary."

Having decided to open his active campaign at the place of his birth, Plant City, Baker thereafter will appear in every county while following a schedule of four to five speeches daily.

## Red Cross To Open Drive Here Monday

### *Program Opens At School House For Campaign*

As a stimulus to the opening of the Red Cross Drive to begin Tuesday morning, March 14. A Red Cross War Fund Drive program will be presented at the high school auditorium at 7:45 Monday evening, March 13.

The program will open with music by the Avon Park high school band, who under the direction of Miss Barbara Belts, will play the following numbers: "El Capitan March, (J. P. Sousa); "Merry Maiden Overture, (James Fulton); "Selections From Gilbert & Sullivan," (Arr. by Yoder); "Circus Parade," Novelty (Paul Yoder).

A talk by Captain Paul Thomas, member of the 88th Bomb Group, 317th Bomb Squadron, Avon Park Army Air Field will follow.

Special music by members of the 740th Band, APAAF, will be a delightful feature, preceding a number by a "Comedian of Radio Fame."

The high school band will follow with a number, "Kashimiri Song" (Woodforde-Finden); and a baritone solo by James Perdue.

The speaker for the evening will be Mrs. Laura Bacon, National Red Cross organizer, who will give authenic information in a pleasing manner to the large group it is anticipated will attend.

Every one is cordially invited to attend and enjoy the program which is being arranged by J. Paul Garber, Avon Park chairman for the 1944 Red Cross War Fund Drive. A week of intensified activity will begin with the meeting Monday night, to be followed by a house to house canvass.

Major C. W. Roberts, public relations officer at the APAAF, is the executive head of the drive at both the air base and at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy. Donations from both will be credited to Avon Park's quota.

A goal of $13,000 has been set for Highlands County, which is divided into quotas of $8,000 for Avon Park, $6,000 for Sebring, and $1,000 for the remainder of the county.

Anyone who will assist in making the house to house canvass is requested to contact Mr. Garber, or R. R. Brown, co-chairman, of the drive in this city.

There will be a meeting of the canvassers in the Customer's Room of the Florida Public Service company Monday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. The city-wide canvass will get into full swing Tuesday morning.

### *Roger Sappington Recommended For Eagle Scout*

A special Board of Review composed of E. G. Todd, Dr. M. Jordan, M. G. Whitcomb, W. C. Hutchinson and A. B. Wilhite met at the Scout Hall Wednesday evening to examine Roger Sappington on the requirements of the rank of Eagle Scout.

Roger was reviewed on the twenty-one Merit Badge subjects in which he has qualified during the past three years and showed a surprising versatility and knowledge of the various subjects. The required Merit Badges are swimming, first aid, life saving, personal health, public health, cooking, camping, civics, bird study, pathfinding, pioneering, safety, and athletics. Those of his own choosing were bookbinding, carpentry, music, stamp collecting, chemistry, firemanship, scholarship and rowing.

His character, personality, general conduct, helpfulness, scout record and leadership qualifications were considered and, by a unanimous vote of the board, he was recommended to the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America for the award of the coveted rank of Eagle Scout.

### *APAAF Band Now Under AAF Control*

APAAF's 740th Army band, formerly the 440th Army Air Forces band, last week passed from direct Army control and has been placed under jurisdiction of the Army Air Forces. Designation of the crack musical outfit will remain the same. Personnel and administration was not affected in the change.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# U. S. Forces Rip Jap Pacific Defenses; Complete Organization of New Agency To Supervise Surplus War Goods Sale; Heaviest Aerial Attacks Blast Nazis

(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.)
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New Guinea—Following a strict medical examination, New Guinea natives receive training equipment for military police duty in Papuan foothills against bandits and tribesmen.

## CONGRESS:
### *Democratic Revolt*

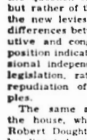
Reelected by the senate's Democratic majority as its floor leader after breaking with President Roosevelt on the tax veto, burly Sen. Alben Barkley (Ky.) took back the reins of a balky party, but not without an eye on restoring harmony in its ranks with its principles.

Barkley's break with F.D.R. came as a result of the President's rasping attack on the $2,300,000,000 tax bill, which he said was an "inedible crust" offering relief to "the greedy instead of the needy." It was not the question of the increased taxes but rather of the size and nature of the new levies which promoted the differences between the Chief Executive and congress, and Barkley's position indicated stiffening congressional independence in formulating legislation, rather than an all-out repudiation of Democratic principles.

The same attitude prevailed in the house, where 80-year-old Rep. Robert Doughton's declaration that he "parted company" with F.D.R. on the tax veto set the stage for congressional overriding of the veto.

## WAR GOODS:
### *Sell Surplus*

With the U. S. treasury preparing to sell 20,000 horses, 10,000 motor trucks and 4,600 motorcycles released by the army, the Surplus War Property administrator, William L. Clayton, was completing organization of the newly created agency to supervise disposal of all such goods.



W. L. Clayton

Although the treasury already has disposed of 100 million dollars worth of surplus material chiefly to lend-lease and other U. S. agencies, the new unit was established by the President upon recommendation of the Baruch postwar planning committee to supervise sale of excess government goods so as not to glut and disrupt ordinary markets.

Principal task of Clayton's agency will be to determine selling and distribution policies and insist on minimum prices, leaving actual sale of material to the various government departments which originally procured the goods.

## EXTEND CCC: .
### *Subsidies Included*

With consumer subsidy foes unable to override a presidential veto, the senate passed a bill extending the life of the Commodity Credit corporation until June, 1945, and permitting its use of from 750 to 900 million dollars for payments to hold down retail food costs.

Headed for acceptance in the house, whose banking committee approved similar legislation, the bill also calls for continuation of price-support programs to assure farm production, a feature endorsed by those who opposed consumer subsidies or government payments to processors and others to cut retail prices.

A recent check by CCC showed that only one billion of its three billion dollar funds have been obligated and the remainder are available for extended operations. War Food Administrator Marvin Jones' request for an additional $500,000,000 postwar fund was turned down.

## AIR WARFARE:
### *Hit London*

Stung by Allied bombers' destruction of their cities, Germany's once-vaunted Luftwaffe appeared in force over London again after a two-year lapse, blasting the British capital with block-busters that ripped up residential and factory areas.

As the Luftwaffe struck at London, big Allied bombers continued their attack on Nazi war-plane plants throughout Germany, seeking to cripple fighter production and reduce aerial resistance to U. S. and British forces when they open the second front.

From January, 1943, to the same month in 1944, the RAF and AAF lost 3,835 bombers in operations over western Europe, it was announced, with 2,688 of the craft being British and 1,147 American.

### *Open Fighting*

With their lines lying exposed in the broad Roman plains, both German and Allied forces alike came under the heavy fire of artillery and aircraft around the Anzio beachhead, and the enemy's armored moves met stubborn resistance from U. S. and British troops.

To the southeast, wet weather muddied the mountain-sides and slowed up Allied advances against the Germans around Cassino. So bitter was the fighting in Cassino itself where the Nazis clung to part of the town that a U. S. Doughboy with Yankee wit reported to his commanding officer that " . . . Today, we captured a parlor, bedroom and kitchen . . ."

## PACIFIC:
### *Closer to Tokyo*

Surging beyond Japan's crumbling outer Pacific defenses, U. S. carrier forces struck within 1,400 miles of Tokyo to blast at the Mariana Islands, so called gateway to the enemy homeland.

While planes from the carrier force ripped Jap defenses in the Marianas, other U. S. air and naval units continued hammering down enemy resistance in the New Britain area, blasting shipping centers used as feeder points for barges supplying embattled Nipponese troops in South Pacific outposts.

As U. S. naval and air forces tore up the Marshalls, Carolines and Marianas, the enemy's vaunted navy and aerial auxiliary still showed no face to scrap, with the Tokyo radio telling its listeners that the Jap chiefs will order a fight only after drawing the U. S. from its bases.

## ARMY BEEF:
### *Small Plants Tapped*

To assure the military services of needed supplies, the War Food administration prepared to order 3,000 small packing and slaughter plants and local butchers to set aside 50 per cent of their "army style" beef beginning April 1.

At the same time, WFA announced manufacturers of cheddar cheese will be required to reserve 45 per cent of their March and 55 per cent of their April production, compared with 35 per cent for January and February.

Since the small packers and butchers sold their entire output to civilians, their reservation for the services is expected to cut into domestic supplies. Previously, the government obtained its beef from about 50 federally inspected plants, but decided to tap the other sources upon the belief that more than normal numbers of cattle were being marketed in the smaller centers.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**BUGLE:** Plastic materials have solved another problem—this time in the brass musical instrument field. The army has been short of bugles because of a scarcity of brass. A plastic bugle has been developed that sounds as sweet as the metal ones. Besides that, it is only half as heavy, needs no warming up on cold mornings, and costs less to make.

**MARS PLANES:** The naval air transport service will put 20 of the new model Mars planes into service as soon as they are finished. The new JRM-1s are primarily designed for cargo carrying, but are quickly convertible to use as hospital ships or troop transports. They can carry 145,000 pounds of cargo, such as field guns, jeeps or engines, or 132 men, as transports.

## RUSSIA:
### *Army Anniversary*

Celebrating the 26th anniversary of the creation of the Red army with "Molotov cocktails," Russian forces continued bending back German lines at both ends of the 800 mile front. Meantime, it was also indicated that peace negotiations with the Finns progressed.

As the Nazis announced retirement movements on the eastern Estonian border, the Reds drove on the important rail and highway hub of Pskov, communication gateway to the Baltic states.

At the southern extremity of the front, the Russ kept chewing off chunks of the German wedge extending far to the rear of their lines in Poland, with the iron, copper and coal center of Krivoi Rog falling into their hands after almost 2½ years of enemy occupation.

Stub in the Finnish peace moves was the presence of 175,000 Nazi troops in the country's mineral-rich north.

## WORLD AIRWAYS:
### *Blimps in Picture*

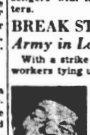
Forgotten recently because of the spectacular action of the airplane in the present war, the huge, sleek dirigible has slipped quietly back into the picture, with the U. N. Airships Incorporated's application for five routes from Washington, D. C., to large cities in all parts of the world.

Using noninflammable helium, the U. N. Airships Inc., would operate passenger and cargo dirigibles over 41,633 miles of world routes to Calcutta, India, via Dakar, French West Africa; Buenos Aires, Argentina, via Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Capetown, South Africa, via Zanzibar, British East Africa; Brisbane, Australia, via Los Angeles, Honolulu, Chungking, China, and Darwin, Australia; and finally to Moscow via Glasgow, Scotland.

Although the dirigible's speed is limited to 75 to 100 miles per hour as compared with the airplane's 150 to 200, blimp enthusiasts say the huge lighter-than-air craft can cruise greater distances and provide passengers with more luxurious quarters.

## BREAK STRIKE:
### *Army in Los Angeles*

With a strike of its AFL electrical workers tying up repair of damaged power lines feeding war plants and private homes and business houses, Los Angeles called upon the army to take over the city's municipal water and power department and restore stricken facilities.



W. Beery

Power line workers were downed during one of southern California's severest storms on record, 7.3 inches of rain flooding homes and chasing small water craft into coastal ports. Glaring over the drenched countryside, rough and tumbly film actor Wallace Beery growled: "One advantage in the South Pacific is that down there they've got fresh coconuts."

When the army moved in on presidential order, the strikers who walked off the job in a wage dispute, went back to their work after a 10-day layoff.

## ARGENTINA:
### *New Chief*

Having drawn the displeasure of Argentina's celebrated "Colonel's Club" which stands as the dominating force in Argentine politics, Gen. Pedro Ramirez turned over his presidency to Gen. Edelmiro J. Farrell, army favorite.

Ramirez' action climaxed the crisis precipitated when his foreign minister stood for declaring war on the Axis and subsequently was fired on the insistence of the ultra-neutral "Colonel's Club."

Although Ramirez' foreign minister left his cabinet, he evidently lost the confidence of the "Colonel's Club," which then promoted Farrell to the high position.

## Take Out OUCH!

**Long the terror of even the bravest of heart, dental drilling may soon be relieved of much of its pain by general adoption of a new technique used by the army.**

**The new technique is simple in itself, the dentist pouring cold water into the patient's mouth at the rate of eight ounces a minute, while drilling, and draining the same amount out through another tube. By circulating about the mouth, the water cools the drilled tooth, the pain of which is caused by heat generated by friction of the drill.**

**Because of the relief of the pain and the greater rotation of the drill in the reduced temperature, the dentist can do a better job on the tooth and perform almost 40 per cent more work, army dental technicians say.**

## FEEDING WORKERS

About 6½ million of the 20 million war workers in the nation are eating in their factories. Expansion of facilities is expected this year to take care of 3½ million more. The other 8 million work under conditions in which it is difficult or impossible to provide for their needs.

Many plants contain cafeterias for employees. In others, "smack wagons" travel around with sandwiches, cake and coffee, often at the expense of the management. This free food is an inducement to production.

# Generous Treatment of Axis Prisoners in U. S. Improves Conditions for Captured Americans

## Red Cross Reports Men in Nazi Hands Well Fed and Housed

By BARROW LYONS
WNU Staff Correspondent

In some 30,000 families throughout our land today the folks are thinking of some soldier from home who has fallen into enemy hands—now a prisoner of war far away. When our troops make the great push against the mainland of Europe, there will be more boys taken prisoners.

In the war prisoner camps within the United States, we hold some 175,000 enemy soldiers captured mostly on the battlefields of Africa, Sicily and Italy. Of these, 125,000 are Germans, 50,000 Italians. Only 116 are Japanese.

Many protests have been made to army authorities, because of the good treatment given these prisoners. Lots of people don't understand why enemy prisoners should be given the same comforts, the same medical attention, the same food as our own soldiers.

But there is a reason so compelling, that none can complain when it is understood. It is not for the sake of the prisoners, but in the interest of our own soldiers held by the enemy. They are the real object of our forbearance and solicitude. And, of course, our national honor is involved, for we agreed to give prisoners the same food and care as our own men under the Prisoners of War convention signed and ratified at Geneva on July 27, 1929.

**Reciprocal Good Treatment.**

Reliable reports made to the army indicate that the good treatment we have accorded prisoners has won for our own men in German prison camps conditions that are at least as good as those under which German soldiers live.

These facts were revealed for the first time to your correspondent by Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion, provost marshal general of the army, who has general supervision over prisoners of war. The actual guarding of the prisoners is a function of the prison camp commander who is under the control of the commanding general of the service command.

Censorship reveals that letters from relatives and friends express much gratitude and happiness over the way we are treating their men.

"We are informed by the International Red Cross that the Germans say that because of our good treatment of their soldiers, they have accorded prisoners here

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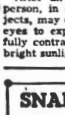


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**Expanded Pupils**

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## SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER



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## In Infantry You March, Fight and Do Much More

WITH SECOND ARMY ON MANEUVERS, Somewhere in Tennessee.—"What do you do in the infantry?"

Everything. This new army is called an army of specialists, and it is. But your infantryman specializes in everything. He's a Jack of all trades.

Take the infantry regiment. It's the smallest self-contained fighting unit.

It can repair its own arms, within limits, and its own trucks. It carries its own gas, and knows where it can get more. It carries its own ammunition, and has more supplies located. It sets up radio networks, and wire nets which can be operated either telephone or telegraph. It can call for help from planes, by spreading panels on the ground. It can signal with flares, or colored smokes.

If the enemy ever uses gas, the infantry is fixed to decontaminate its equipment and even the ground over which it moves. And if the enemy ever tries to use gas, the infantry can soon be ready to send some back at him. It can screen its movements with thick smoke.

It can feel out the enemy's movements with its own equivalent of mechanized cavalry. A company of armored infantry of steel filter and serves the double purpose of salvaging metal and preventing fire prevalence.

**What It Is.**

An infantry regiment is approximately 3,000 men and two years of time.

A regiment is hours spent at calisthenics, until muscles protest and tongues hang out. It's countless breathless gallops over obstacle courses, until the weary infantryman thinks he can go no farther—but he can. It's mornings of tossing his companions around, and being tossed, in jiu jitsu classes. It's endless sessions of tumbling, a childish-appearing sport that may save his life when bullets are flying and he's got to hit the dirt quick, without injuring himself. It's physical fitness tests composed of exercises designed to strain every sinew—against time. It's little four-mile forced marches in 50 minutes, with the infantryman's full load of 87 pounds.

It's learning to do things the army way. It's polishing buttons, and shining shoes. It's being restricted for the week-end because the soles of the shoes under the bed were dirty. It's picking out the dirt in the cracks of the barracks floor with a pin, and polishing the tops of the light shades, so an inspecting hand will find no dust. It's washing his own clothes, and shaving every day. It's polishing his mess kit mirror-bright, and tooth-brushing the screw-heads of his rifle to get the last fleck of dust. It's mopping floors, and KP, and fatigue details.

**Brain Work Too.**

An infantry regiment is grinding hours on dull classroom subjects. It's a constant hammering on map reading and the use of the compass. It's instruction in military courtesy and discipline. It's classes in military law, to teach him his rights and duties in the army. It's radio code practice until the ears ring, and laying air-ground liaison panels until he sweats, with the temperature at zero. It's many, many days of studying pictures and diagrams of enemy tanks and planes, and uniforms, and those of his own army and its Allies. It's drilling in message writing, in expressing himself so he won't be misunderstood. It's memory training, so that oral messages can go through when written ones aren't safe. It's countless lectures and demonstrations on field sanitation and first-aid. It's dry-as-dust talks on the care and cleaning of clothing, the care and cleaning of equipment, the care and cleaning of weapons, the maintenance of motor vehicles.

It's constant practice at taking his weapons apart, and putting them together again, until he can do it in the dark. It's innumerable talks on tactics and then footsore days spent on practice in them.

It's days of the slow, steady work of field emergency mapping. It's nights spent walking compass courses, where an error lands him in the swamps, and perfection takes him through briars instead. It's the long hardening hikes at night when even the relief of a smoke is denied. It's hundreds of slit trenches and foxholes, dug in rocky and rooty ground. It's hours spent in observation posts, scanning a distant landscape for a tiny movement that may mean life, if seen, and death, if not. It's months of close order drill, until he falls into his proper spot without coaching and moves like a machine. It's hot afternoons of extended order drill—jumping up, running forward, plunging down, rolling over, inching forward.

**Supper at 2 A. M.**

It's hours spent on the "dry line" until the perhaps aching bones and muscles drop naturally into the cramped positions from which a rifleman shoots best. It's many days on the range, lying in clammy mud or stifling dust, while the dust devils or the pouring rain make the target dance. It's running the bayonet course until his reactions become automatic. It's afternoons spent on the grenade court, until he can hit the half-hidden corner of a window. It's the long crawls and creeps that toughen protesting muscles for the time when he must crawl toward the enemy. It's that long crawl over the infiltration course, with machine gun bullets skimming the top of his helmet, wire grasping him like unfriendly claws, and dynamite bursting in his face.

It's gas mask drill, to give speed against the time that may come. It's scouting and patrolling, and observation of things that aren't just natural, to make a woodsman of him. It's tent pitching, and conquering the maze of strings and canvas that make the infantry pack. It's camouflaging himself and his vehicles. It's fortifying a position, in not enough time and with inadequate tools.

It's the long hikes, when he learns to get by on a canteen of water a day, no matter how hot and dry and dusty. It's maneuvers, with no sleep, wet blankets, muddy and icy ground and dirt, and wet clothes. It's eating supper at 2 a. m., because the chow truck couldn't get to him sooner, and breakfast an hour earlier, because the truck must go back before daylight. It's hours clambering down landing nets, and learning how to get out of a landing boat or barge in a hurry.

Two years ago he was a civilian with a rifle in his hands. Now he's a soldier.

## Finds Speedy Star



Dr. Frank K. Edmondson of the astronomy department of Indiana university measures the velocity of a newly discovered star that rockets through space at a speed of more than half a million miles an hour. Dr. Edmondson discovered this star through the measurement of astral bodies from photographs taken under cooperative arrangement between Indiana university and the University of Texas McDonald observatory. Located in the Milky Way, this new star is traveling away from the sun, according to Dr. Edmondson. Where it is going, nobody knows, but in the words of its discoverer, "it certainly is on its way."

## Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



Do you know that vinegar rinses tend to darken light hair? Lemon rinses give bright highlights. Do you know that the juice of one lemon is enough if you use one pint of water for your rinse? Do you know that "hard" water takes the color out of your hair? Do you know that you can soften "hard" water by boiling it? Do you know that bluing in the last rinse keeps white hair from getting yellow?

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## Births in Bermuda Hit All-Time High of 955

HAMILTON, BERMUDA.—The increasing pressure of Bermuda's population on an area shrunk by United States bases is emphasized by figures revealing 955 births last year among an estimated 35,000 permanent residents within 1,800 square miles. This 955 represents an all-time high and is made more complicated by the fact that about 21 per cent of the births are illegitimate.

## AMERICA IN ACTION

**SOLDIERS SPEND $30,000,000 MONTHLY FOR BONDS**

Soldier war bond purchasers are setting aside approximately $30,000,000 a month from their pay to help buy the arms they are using with such devastating effect against the enemy, the war department has announced.

One out of every three army men and women is investing in war bonds, according to the army war bond office of the army service forces at Chicago, Illinois. Between April 1 and November 30, 1943, they invested $197,088,568.

An estimated 1,005,508 bonds were issued in December, the bond headquarters announced, and a new peak is expected to be reached in January, with the issue of some 1,520,-714 bonds to army investors.

A large majority of the army investments are of small denominations. During November, 40 per cent of those investing in war bonds set aside $3.75 each from their monthly pay. Purchasers in this group will receive a $75 bond every 20 months. Another 26 per cent allocate $6.25 each per month, and receive a $25 bond every three months. Slightly more than 6 per cent allot $12.50 monthly for a $50 bond every three months.

In terms of the total amount of money invested by purchasers, the most important single bond-buying plan is that under which the soldier, WAC or army nurse allots $18.75 per month from his or her pay for a $25 bond. More than a fifth of all army investors favor this plan, it was announced, and those in this category invested a total of $11,485,452 in war bonds during November.

Six per cent of all army investors set aside monthly sums ranging from $37.50 to $375, it was disclosed.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## Through 3 Wars



War is an old story to D. B. Perry (right) and Augustus F. Klasi, president and oldest employee, respectively, of as Ithaca, N. Y., war plant. Klasi, a toolmaker, has been with his company a half-century; President Perry, since 1897. They have worked through the Spanish-American and World wars and into the present conflict. Their plant—the Morse Chain company—is one of eight Borg-Warner plants to receive the Army-Navy "E" award.

## 81 Traffic Tickets Cost Driver $418 and His Car

PHILADELPHIA. — John Craig Huff, 57 years old, charged with 81 traffic violations in five months, was fined $418 and ordered to sell his automobile within a week at a special hearing before Magistrate John J. O'Malley.

O'Malley set the penalties at the minimum of $2.67 and $2.50 costs for each offense.

The magistrate warned Huff that if the car was not sold within a week he would face a jail term of 81 days—one day for each offense.

## "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

**MISCELLANY**

**COMICAL CONES**—Save the ends of ice cream cones—about an inch and a half long. When you have several, fill with melted wax. Allow to harden so it shows over the tops of the cones. A dab of nail polish on each will look like a cherry. Paint the cones themselves with colorless nail polish to preserve them and to discourage mice. String on yarn to make a necklace or wear singly as a lapel gadget.

**BABY BEADS**—The cutest idea yet in identification bracelets is to ask your mother for the little name necklace they gave you at birth in the hospital. Most mothers save them for sentiment. Shorten it slightly, if necessary, and wear around your wrist.

**HEMLINE HINT**—Edge your slip with lace and wear it just a tiny bit longer than your dress or skirt, so that the lace will peep below. Or, sew the band of lace inside your skirt hem, letting just the edge show below.

**THINGS ARE NEVER WHAT THEY SEAM**—For a real stocking effect on bare legs, take a brown eyebrow pencil and draw a line up the back of your leg. 'Twill look like seams, and for once, they can't twist around.

**LACY CHARMS**—We saw a necklace made of little charms; strung on narrow lace and tied around the neck. A nice change from the usual ribbon or yarn.

**SCREEN STUNT**—Cut out a monogram or tricky figure and place it over the top left-hand corner of plain stationery. Hold a wire screen a few inches away from the paper and rub a toothbrush, dipped into paint or ink, over the screen. Remove the cutout and you will have a professional-looking silhouette design.

**PICKANINNY PUFF**—The latest idea in powder puff gadgets is the pickaninny, blacked with indelible ink and topped by little black braids, tied in red yarn. White buttons with black circles inked inside of them are good for eyes; a heart-shaped red button is perfect for the mouth.

**JARRING NOTES**—Save the empty jars from cold creams and deodorants. Wash off the labels and paint the covers to match your room. Decorate with decalcomanias from the dime store or with smart monograms painted in nail polish, or sprinkle with paper stars. Collect them until you have complete dresser sets for powder, pins and all your other fluff stuff.

**DASH OF COLOR**—Brighten up your old saddles with colored shoe laces. Checks and plaids are slick. If your saddles are too disreputable looking, paint them any bright color you like. Regular enamel does the trick.

**A PAIR OF HEELS**—Paste a picture of Hirohito on one heel and a picture of Hitler on the other. That's one way of giving your opinion of the dictators!

**PENCIL POINTERS**—Collect old pencil stubs. Tie yarn tightly around the top of each and attach to a braided yarn chain for a necklace. Cover the tips with nail polish.

**PAPER BEADS** — Cut colored pages from magazines in narrow strips. Wind each strip separately around a pin to form a long bead; then cover with shellac. Remove the pin and after the beads are dry, string them into a necklace. It's an oldie, but still a goodie.

## What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



Nothing pleases the fastidious housekeeper more than a house full of closets—a place with a spot built in for everything.

Perfection is hard to achieve, but it is possible to have a place for everything—and everything in its place, with a little thought spent on the closet space we have.

Make a closet where there was none before, by curtaining off the corner of the room with flowered chintz. Match the valance to the ones over the windows.

Make or buy closet ensembles so your closet can be kept in order. Clothes hangers, hat bones, giant shoe bags, all made from a pretty cotton gabardine to harmonize with your bedroom walls. Umbrella holders too are practical, and neat looking and can have a tiny pocket at the bottom to hold rubbers.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## TELEFACT

WORKERS TRAINED IN WAR TRAINING COURSES




## Crowds Eye His Tie; It Really Is a Bear

KNOXVILLE, TENN. — Rufus Wells attracts a lot of attention when he goes downtown.

His South American honey bear, with a head and neck like a weasel, likes to hang onto his shoulders and eat candy.

Wells picked the bear up in Venezuela when it was two days old.

## Things to do



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A General Quiz

**The Questions**

1. The inscription on the Liberty Bell, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land," was taken from where?
2. The territory of China is how much larger than that of Continental U. S.?
3. An obsequious man has a manner that is what?
4. The ancient city of Pompeii was destroyed by what?
5. What is the most used of all textiles?
6. What city guards the entrance to the Strait of Melacca?

**The Answers**

1. The Bible (Leviticus 25:10).
2. One-third larger.
3. Servile.
4. Volcanic eruption in 79 A. D. (Mt. Vesuvius).
5. Cotton.
6. Singapore.


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Merchant Marine Academy

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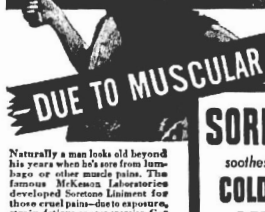
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# Folks You Know . .

Lt. Tillman Crosby of the Sarasota Air Base, spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Crosby.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Garber left Wednesday for Washington, D. C., where they will spend several days.

Glenn Shoemaker, pastor of the Church of Christ at Hollywood, spent this week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shoemaker.

Mrs. W. L. Fraser returned to Avon Park Saturday, after spending the past several months in Jacksonville. She is again living in her trailer at the Trailer Park.

A. B. Wells of Tampa visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wells on Tuesday.

Joe Lander and his son, Joe Allen of Panama City are visiting Mrs. Lander's mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Strosen of New York are the guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass and family.

Mrs. J. M. Coleman and daughter, Mrs. Janet Jernigan of Waycross, Ga., were the guests last week of Mrs. Coleman's brother, L. E. Stewart and family.

Mrs. Norman Bonney left Wednesday night for Detroit, Mich., to join Mr. Bonney, who is there on business.

Miss Gladys Anderson of Chicago, Ill., and Miss Lorraine Anderson of State Center, Iowa, are the attractive house guests of their brother-in-law and sister, Major and Mrs. C. W. Wade at their home at Highland Lakes

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Sizemore and baby daughter, Violet of Lake Placid, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Sizemore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stebbins and family.

Miss Hazel Tolson is spending this week in Lakeland, where she is a member of the Redistributional Training School, being held there at the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramona Bass and young son, Tom, of Okeechobee are visiting Mr. Bass' mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass, and other relatives in Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ward left Saturday for New York, where Mr. Ward went on business, in the interests of his stores here and in Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith left last week end for San Francisco, Cal., where they went to visit their daughter, Mrs. Harold Lambert and their son, Wendell, U. S. Coast Guard.

Miss Betty Tomlinson, student at Florida State College For Women at Tallahassee, is spending the week end with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Tomlinson. She will return to Tallahassee Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Anderson of Tampa were the guests Sunday of the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stewart. They were accompanied back to Tampa by another sister, Mrs. J. M. Coleman and her daughter, Mrs. Janet Jernigan of Waycross, Ga., who have been visiting the Stewarts.

Al. J. Dickson, candidate for state senator from this district, received word from Miss Dickson and Mrs. Edwards, who are from Arcadia on Friday greeting friends. Mrs. Dickson was formerly Miss Lena Adkins of Avon Park. The lady resided here when Mr. Adkins was freight agent for the Seaboard Railway.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Cook of Quitman, Ala., are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Sgt. and Mrs. Henry D. Butler and family, and another son-in-law and daughter, Sgt. James L. Ford.

Alderman J. Williams has returned and word that his daughter, Pvt. L. R. Pratt of Fleet City, Ga., is on furlough on the homefront in Ruby Pottery & Mrs. Pratt is Mr. Williams' sister. Mr. and Mrs. Williams left for Fleet City to be with Pvt. Pratt's mother, Mrs. Wesley Pratt, immediately upon receiving the message.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thayer and daughter, Teresa are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pottorff in Lakeland this week. Tommy Thayer left Friday for Lakeland to join his mother and sister. Mrs. Thayer's sister, Mrs. Finley Flowers and Mr. Flowers from Fitchburg, Ohio are also visiting the Pottorffs. They plan on visiting in Avon Park before returning to Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thayer and daughter, Miss Betty Lou of Lake Placid, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Thayer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stebbins and family.

Mrs. Hazel Tolson is spending this week in Lakeland, where she is a member of the Redistributional Training School, being held there at the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramona Bass and young son, Tom, of Okeechobee are visiting Mr. Bass' mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass, and other relatives in Avon Park.

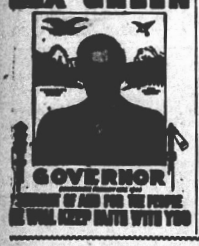
Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ward left Saturday for New York, where Mr. Ward went on business, in the interests of his stores here and in Sebring.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith left last week end for San Francisco, Cal., where they went to visit their daughter, Mrs. Harold Lambert and their son, Wendell, U. S. Coast Guard.

Miss Betty Tomlinson, student at Florida State College For Women at Tallahassee, is spending the week end with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Tomlinson. She will return to Tallahassee Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Anderson of Tampa were the guests Sunday of the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stewart. They were accompanied back to Tampa by another sister, Mrs. J. M. Coleman and her daughter, Mrs. Janet Jernigan of Waycross, Ga., who have been visiting the Stewarts.


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## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TENT W. DUNCAN)

Mrs. James A. Johnson, USO Senior Hostess, kept her word on Monday by bringing a supply of canned pineapple which she promised to get on the recent shopping trip. We wish to thank Mrs. Johnson for her thoughtfulness and to tell her that many were complimentary over the delicious fruit. We appreciate very much your interest in the boys and girls. We only hope that she will remember them the next time she will return from her trip. Mrs. Johnson and all the members of the Board have been very kind to us and we appreciate very much the help they have given us in the past. We only hope that she will remember them the next time she will return from her trip.

Mrs. Margery Church, our Book Exchange manager, is now on a week's leave, her first in over six months. She certainly has earned a vacation and we hope she has a good time. Mrs. Church has given us her entire time and attention and has been responsible for many of the improvements which have been made in the Book Exchange. Her fine personality and ability to get along with people has won her many friends who have brought about the reputation of which I speak. Her gracious smile and manner as well as her patience have contributed in very much to the work which this operation is striving to fulfill. So while Mrs. Church is on leave and not around to interrupt our words we can write our praise of her.

Pfc. Harry Newell brought news of his fine appreciation to the USO hall-room on last Thursday evening to give us an evening of superb dance music. Pfc. Newell fulfills many requests with a smile even though he may have his numbers all ready for the next set. The Gi's find him a most accommodating hostess pianist. The door prizes were awarded to Miss Loris Dunn of Woodlake for the ladies; and for the men to Sgt. Steve Bogdanovich, recently returned Golden Gloves Champ down in Miami. An ability in the selection of the door prize winners was that she drew his number and he drew her's. Such continuing! Junior Hostesses helping in the hall-room were Mrs. C. P. Anderson, Mrs. Robert R. Porterfield, and Mrs. Harold C. Worden. Guests to use our dances in fall swing were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Strosen of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Strosen are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Anderson.

A swimming party for the Gi's and their wives is now a regular scheduled event on Sunday afternoon. Lake Lotela and the swimming facilities provided by the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce have been put into use. The beach has not been officially opened as yet but already the service personnel claim it an outstanding recreation discovery. We hope that in a few weeks the city officials will clear the beach, provide toilets and have an official opening.

The feature Movie to be shown on Wednesday evening of the coming week is the drama "The Moon Is Down," written by Josh Steinbeck. Here is a story of those whose hope and strength, even under the heels of the conquerors, could not be crushed.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST SERVICES

"RESISTANCE" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, March 12.

The Golden Text is: "The foolishness of God is wiser than the wisdom of the world and the weakness of God is stronger than the strength of men." (I Corinthians 1:25).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: For as the heavens are higher than the earth are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:6,9).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Material and temporal thoughts are human, involving error, and since God, Spirit, is the only cause, they have no real cause. The temporal and material are not then creations of Spirit. They are but counterfeits of the spiritual and eternal" (p. 268:22-25).


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**Meeting in the City of Orlando recently, a group representing business, the professions, industry, agriculture, women's clubs, chambers of commerce and varied interests discussed the grave problems that confront the state and nation as we approach another election.**

**Feeling that the time has come for the people to speak out clearly and emphatically as to their wishes concerning vital issues that confront all of us, the following clear-cut "Declaration of Principles" was unanimously endorsed and is herewith presented to the voters of this state for thoughtful and serious consideration.**

## DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

**We Advocate:**

★ **WIN THE WAR**
**1.** Whole-hearted cooperation of all the people of the United States in winning this war for personal liberty and in preserving the fruits of victory.

★ **CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT**
**2.** The return to, and maintenance of, our National Government as created within the framework of the Constitution of the United States.

★ **STATES RIGHTS**
**3.** The preservation of the rights of the States of the Union, except where such rights have been expressly delegated to the Federal Government by the Constitution of the United States; and the abolition of Federal grants when predicated upon Federal control.

★ **SOUTHERN TRADITION**
**4.** The recognition of the inherent right of the people of the Southern States, as well as the right of the people of other sections of the United States to the preservation of their local, time-honored customs and traditions.

★ **FREEDOM FROM FEAR AND COMPULSION**
**5.** The right of individual free enterprise in labor and management without fear of Government reprisal; and the right to work without being compelled to pay tribute to any man or organization.

★ **REASONABLE TAXATION**
**6.** The adoption of a National tax program that will provide revenue adequate to maintain a sound economy, and thereby provide maximum employment in private industry for those now in the armed services, or engaged in war production.

★ **LIMITED FEDERAL TAXES**
**7.** Limitation upon the taxing power of the National Government so as to protect the constitutional functions of states and local governments.

★ **INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE**
**8.** Personal initiative and self-reliance in agriculture, in industry and in the professions. The American tradition of individual freedom and responsibility must be maintained, regardless of restrictions or privileges which might prevent full efficiency ensuing.

★ **GOVERNMENT COMPETITION**
**9.** That the Government of the United States should not enter, directly or indirectly, into business in competition with private individuals, except in time of war.

★ **TRADE CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT**
**10.** The introduction into the state educational system of an intensive course of instruction on the fundamentals of constitutional government.

For the purpose of widely publicizing these principles and to encourage statewide consideration and discussion of the vital issues with which they deal, it was decided to set up an organization.

Adopting the name: Florida Voters for Constitutional Government, R. D. Keene, Winter Garden, was named President; John D. Clark, Waverly, 1st Vice President; Dr. Meredith Mallory, Orlando, 2nd Vice President; Russell Kay, Tampa, Secretary, and E. T. Lyle, Orlando, Treasurer.

Concerned with issues and policies rather than men or parties, this organization does not support or oppose any specific candidate for public office, State or national, but rather, presents a yardstick by which all may be measured.

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Gentlemen: I request to register and vote in the coming election and fully approve the Declaration of Principles as set forth by your organization and wish to assist in this worthy effort.

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# Clubs and Parties . . .

By BESSIE B. HETHERINGTON — Phone 84

### Officers Wives' Club Begs Magazines

The AFAAF Officers Wives' club held their regular monthly meeting and luncheon meeting Wednesday, March 1, at the Officers Club.

The club during the business session, voted to afford $100 for magazine subscriptions for the troops and Red Cross units on the field. The ladies have previously given $200 to be spent on magazine and newspaper fees who may pay regular subscription rates.

The luncheon was enjoyed buffet style and table decked with Mrs. Raymond Pugh and Mrs. R. C. Whitaker.

### Edna E. Creel and Eugene Fields Marry Feb. 5.

Miss Edna E. Creel, daughter of Mrs. Rose Creel of Bogalusa, La., and Eugene Fields, Sarasota, Florida, son of Mrs. Henry H. Fields, were united Sunday, February 5 at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. A. W. Ramsey in Bogalusa. The Rev. Eugene Courtney, pastor of the First Baptist Church, performed the ceremony in the presence of a large group of relatives and friends of the couple.

Mrs. Marjorie Seals of Bogalusa attended the bride as matron of honor, and Robert Miller of Salt Lake City, Utah, served as best man.

The couple arrived here last week end for a visit with Mrs. Fields. The groom has recently returned from a trip overseas.

### Elder Family Have Birthday Dinner at Pickett Home

In celebration of the joint birthday anniversaries of W. M. Elder, who was seventy-four years old on Wednesday, March 1, and his grandson, Hilford H. Rutledge, seaman first class, Merchant Marines, who would have a birthday on March 10th, the relatives all enjoyed a dinner party on that day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Pickett. Each of the honor guests had a beautiful decorated birthday cake, complete with burning candles.

Those sharing the occasion with Mr. Elder and Hilford included Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Elder, Mr. and Mrs. Hilis Elder and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Elder and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Elder and daughter, Geraldine, Mr. and Mrs. Nathael Elder and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rutledge and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Caster and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hope Elder and family, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Pickett and family, and Marion Mathis, seaman first class, Merchant Marines.

### Detroit Visitor Honor Guest at Party on Monday

Mrs. Harold Gumrett was hostess at a most delightful party at her home on Monday evening, given in honor of her nephew, Harry Stinson of Detroit. The home was profusely decorated with colorful garden flowers.

Games and picture puzzles were the pleasing diversion for the guests, Bobby Keller and the honor guest receiving prizes of candy for their skill in assembling their puzzle first.

Late in the evening, Mrs. Gumrett served delicious refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and punch.

Those sharing the party with Harry were Miss Margaret Dilley, Miss Dorothy Lawhon, Miss Winifred Archer, Miss Winifred Demorest, Miss Ruth Purdom, Miss Peggy Jo Smith, Miss Virginia Spencer.

Sammy Longbottom, James Perdue, Morris Suggs, Bobby Keller Walter Martin, Billy Archer, and Jimmie Hetherington.

### Mrs. Kramer is Honoree at Bridge Party on Saturday

Mrs. Robert Kramer of Winter Haven, house guest of Mrs. H. C. Worden, was the attractive honoree at a bridge party given by Mrs. Earl H. Ware at her home on Saturday evening. Two tables were in play during the evening.

The hostess chose a patriotic motif for the decorations in her lovely home. Garden flowers were placed at vantage points in the living room, and an especially colorful arrangement graced the center of the dining table overlaid with a lace cloth.

The red, white and blue note also predominated in the bridge appointments and prize wrappings.

Mrs. Worden was the recipient of high score award, when scores were totaled, and Mrs. Kramer was given a gift by her hostess. Both prizes were boxes of fragrant dusting powder.

Late in the evening, Mrs. Ware served a dainty refreshment course, consisting of congealed chicken salad, pickled beets, olives, pickles, cheese crackers, assorted homemade cookies, and coffee.

Friends sharing this delightful affair with Mrs. Kramer were Mrs. Worden, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mrs. Ruby Bass, Mrs. W. Jack Head, Mrs. R. R. Porterfield, and Mrs. M. V. Pilcher.

### COVENANT CIRCLE TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Covenant Circle of the Union Congregational Church will meet Wednesday afternoon, March 15 at 3:00 o'clock at the home of Miss J. E. Coe. Presentation of the Woman's Gift. The reports of delegates to the Chain of Missions will be heard.

### Births

Lieut. and Mrs. A. G. Bowman announce the arrival of a baby daughter, weighing five pounds, fourteen ounces, who arrived Wednesday, March 8. The little girl has been named Betty Lynne.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Budd are announcing the arrival of a baby son, weighing ten pounds, who arrived Tuesday morning, March 11. The young man has been named William Remus.

### St. Mary's Altar Guild Entertained By Mrs. Currie

Mrs. S. S. Thayer was elected president of St. Mary's Altar Guild of the Episcopal Church, at the program and business meeting on Wednesday at the parish house. Miss Barbara Betts was elected treasurer, and Mrs. J. A. Johnson, secretary to serve for the ensuing year. The meeting followed a luncheon, preceded by the morning services at the church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. John Daley, who also led the opening devotional at the Guild meeting.

Mrs. H. R. Currie, retiring president, was hostess at the lovely luncheon. The long table was centered with a beautiful arrangement of calla lilies, flanked on either side by bouquets of garden blossoms. Each guest was presented a dainty corsage, fashioned of carnations and roses, designed by the hostess. A two-course luncheon was served.

Those enjoying the luncheon and meeting were Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mrs. Dorcas Mandis, Mrs. W. H. McCarley, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Miss Barbara Betts, Rev. and Mrs. John Daley, Mrs. C. F. Kenney, Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, Mrs. Ralph Herring, and Mrs. Currie.

### Methodist Class Has Supper Meeting Monday

The supper meeting of the Woman's Friendship Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School was held at the Hut on Monday evening. The delicious supper was served at seven o'clock with thirteen members seated at the prettily arranged table.

Following the supper, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood presided at the business meeting, when a number of matters of importance were discussed.

Those enjoying the supper and meeting included Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. Laura P. Rawlings, Mrs. R. K. Phillips, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Miss Furlow Anderson, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, Mrs. G. B. Hall, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. M. E. Clark, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. Estelle Somerlan, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, Mrs. Edward Hammond, Betty Rose Ford and Bobby Clark.

### Mrs. Wilhite is Hostess to Club Tuesday Evening

Mrs. A. B. Wilhite was a gracious hostess to members of the Sans Souci club at a lovely party at the Customer's Room of the FPS company on Tuesday evening. Blue lupin formed the attractive decorations in the spacious room.

Between the games, the hostess served a dainty tuna fish salad course with saltines and iced drinks. High and second high score prizes were awarded to Miss Marie Anderson, and Mrs. Ben T. Stewart. Both prizes were Defense Stamps.

Club members enjoying the party were Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Marie Anderson, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr., Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, Mrs. Freed Peden, Mrs. C. A. Bunall, Jr., and Miss Verna Helm.

### WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET FRIDAY

will meet at 3:00 o'clock Friday will meet at 3:00 o'clock Friday afternoon, March 17 in the Customers' Room of the FPS Co. An historical program, including national, state and local clubs will be given, in anticipation of the State Golden Jubilee, to be held in Tampa April 10-13. A special invitation is extended to all past presidents and charter members of the club to attend the meeting next Friday afternoon. The club membership and their guests are also urged to be present, to share in the review of past accomplishments, and as a stimulus to future Garber.

## Church Notes

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION (EPISCOPAL)**
Rev. John Mills Daley, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

**CHURCH OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMON)**
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**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.: Sermon topic: "The Man Who Is Bankrupt."
Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.: Sermon Topic: "PETER".
Wednesday 8:00 P. M., Mid-week service.

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.
Subject Sunday morning — "Trees."
Subject Sunday night — "Importance of Baptism."

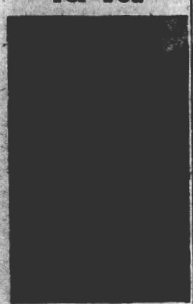
**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
Rev W. H. Magee, Pastor
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Thomas, minister, Bible teacher and lecturer, has arrived from Charlotte, N. C., to assist Rev. W. H. Magee pastor of the Avon Park Assembly of God. Mrs. Thomas has a special ministry to both women and men. For the past 12 years she has had a fruitful ministry in Charlotte, N. C., in church, on the radio, and in the ministry to the sick and infirm. For several years she was the woman's Bible teacher at the First Baptist Church in Charlotte. Then for 10 years she was ministering and affiliated with the Garr Tabernacle of Charlotte. For the past three years she was assisting in the Calvary Baptist Temple which grew to a full church in that short time.

"We are truly fortunate in having Mrs. Thomas with us in Avon Park, and we wish to invite the public to attend our services and be blessed by the ministry of our Sister of the Lord," said Rev. Magee.

Mrs. L. J. Hartsell of Charlotte accompanied Mrs. Thomas here. She will assist with the work temporarily, but Mrs. Thomas will remain to assist with the ministry, Rev. Magee stated.

Rev Magee announces that the Avon Park Assembly of God has Sunday school classes for all ages and a special children's church each Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The attendance in Sunday school is increasing and he extends a welcome to all visitors and especially to the service men and their wives.


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# BLACK SOMBRERO

by CLIFFORD KNIGHT ~ WNU SERVICE

Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood actress, is cut off from the will of her aunt Minty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers, professional sleuth, and Barry Madison, an amateur detective, go to Mexico City, Mexico, to solve what they believe to be Kitty Chatfield's murder. On arrival they find that Elsa's party had preceded them by plane. During a fiesta at Sam Chatfield's ranch (Sam is Elsa's father) Rogers questions the guests about the death of Senora Olivier. All have a motive. They go to the courtyard and while watching the dancing Maria announces the death of James Chesebro. The Mexican police arrive and examine the body. Death was the result of a knife thrust.

## CHAPTER X

"Why, then, did the others push you forward as if you knew something?"

"I go over the house seeking my pay; they do not have the money in the kitchen, sir. It is for this reason they push me forward."

"So you were wandering about the house, then?" said Lombardo. "What did you see?"

"I am walking in a place, sir, which Maria tells me is the passageway that leads to the room where the gentleman was murdered. There I see a man enter a door, sir, which must be the door to the room. For I have described it well to Maria, sir."

"Who was the man, Pedro,"

"That I do not know, sir."

"Was he wearing a sombrero?"

"Yes, sir."

"What kind?"

"It was large and black. I think it was of felt. The head and shoulders were in shadows, sir, but in the hand he carried a whip."

"Was he Mexican or American, Pedro?"

"Sir, I do not know."

"What kind of a whip did he have? You said he carried a whip."

"It was about so long, sir," and Pedro's thin brown hands measured a space in air about eighteen inches in length. "It was, I think, what you call a quirt, sir."

"A quirt, so?" Lombardo turned to look meaningly at Alvarez, his eyebrows arched, his lips parted slightly. He turned back to the pulque man. "Do you see among us, Pedro, such a man as you have described? I warn you to be very careful; these are gentlemen."

Pedro's sharp little eyes, to my alarm, were suddenly upon me; he inspected me carefully, then shifted to Sam Chatfield who sat beside me. Finally he quitted our host's short figure and moved to Huntoon Rogers. He dismissed him with a glance, then came back to me, as if some doubt lingered in his mind.

"I did not see the face, sir," Pedro reminded Lombardo.

Huntoon Rogers spoke for the first time. "It is impossible, Senor Lombardo. Senor Madison was with me when Maria came with the news of the murder."

"And all of the evening, senor?"

I answered the question. "No," I said. "But the remainder of the time I was with either Senor Rumble, or Senorita Chatfield."

"Yes, of course," said Lombardo. "Pedro is wrong." He waved the pulque man away abruptly, saying sternly, "It is enough, Pedro; you are mistaken about this man." He pointed to me. "Do not make any more mistakes."

"Yes, sir," replied Pedro, springing up from the chair and vanishing in the shadows near the door.

"The quirt," Lombardo said, "I do not understand. Was it the purpose to whip the victim and then kill him? The lashes on the face, Miguel, were they made so recently?" he turned to Doctor Cruz.

"They were made much earlier, Otiko."

"How did he get them? Did the one who gave them to him return, and this time kill him with a knife?"

No one answered the questions.

"Is there anyone else among the servants whom you wish to interrogate?" inquired our host.

"No, sir, I am interested now in other things."

"Come this way, then," said Sam Chatfield, leading us from the kitchen.

An atmosphere of gloom seemed to pervade the huge living room when we entered. Margaret and Dwight Nichols sat with Berta, talking quietly. Elsa and Reed Barton had withdrawn to a shadowy corner. Barry Rumble sat on the bench of the grand piano smoking.

"I think," began Sam Chatfield hesitantly, "that Senor Lombardo has a few questions to ask."

"Only a few facts, ladies and gentlemen," Lombardo said, bowing courteously. "The Senorita," and his eyes sought out Elsa in the background, "if I may, please; I wish to ask of her a question."

Elsa moved forward, still wearing the colorful costume in which she had danced with Reed Barton, and stood before Lombardo.

"A thousand pardons, senorita," began Lombardo, yielding to an obvious embarrassment that swept over him. "I ask the question: Have you worn the costume of the China Poblana all evening?"

"Yes, of course," Elsa replied, somewhat puzzled. "I put it on at dusk."

"Then you cannot be the one," said Lombardo.

George Rumble got up from his seat on the piano bench. He walked over to Lombardo.

"Elsa is out of it; you can't tangle her in this thing. And all I want to say is what about a sombrero? I notice mine is missing from the rack near the front door. I don't accuse anybody of stealing it, you understand; but what about a sombrero?"

Lombardo turned to Alvarez and said in Spanish, "Fetch the sombrero from the room, please." He turned back to Rumble. "In a moment, Senor Rumble, I will show you the sombrero I speak of." Alvarez returned promptly with the black felt sombrero.

"Do you recognize the sombrero, senor?" Lombardo inquired, holding it out to Rumble.

"Sure. It's my hat. A while ago when I was out that way I missed it."

Rogers answered. "We found it in the room where Chesebro was murdered."

A curious expression came over Rumble's face; the dark eyes seemed to grow darker.

As he stood there before us the chief of police conceived an idea; it was first observable in a narrowing of his large dark eyes, a cocking



"But what do you know about the death of the gentleman in the big room?"

of his round head. He summoned Alvarez with a lift of his chin and said in Spanish, "The pulque man who is called Pedro; bring him here at once, Luis," and he indicated a spot on the floor directly in front of him with a down turned thumb as the place to which he desired the pulque man to be brought.

Alvarez vanished and the occupants of the room relaxed. Cigarettes were passed and a nervous attempt at light conversation was made by Berta while we waited for the return of the pulque man. She was smiling and almost gay, although in the depths of her dark eyes there was a look of fear. We had not long to wait, however, for Alvarez soon returned, clutching the frightened Pedro by a thin arm.

"It is lucky for you, Pedro, that you are still here," began Lombardo. "I have more questions to ask you."

"I am here, sir," replied the man, "because I have not yet received the money for my pulque."

Lombardo ignored the frank statement, and requested the man to look about him. "Here are other persons, Pedro," he directed. "Look closely, and tell me if any of these others is the man you saw wearing the sombrero and carrying the whip. Make no mistakes."

Pedro did as he was bidden, but shyly and with evident embarrassment. Dwight Nichols stood up the better to be viewed, and he pulled George Rumble by the sleeve to line him up alongside himself and Reed Barton.

"I see only the back, sir; I do not see the face," he repeated.

Lombardo was patient. He picked up Rumble's black sombrero from a chair where it rested and held it out to Pedro. "Is this the sombrero the man wore?" he asked.

Pedro put his hands behind him and shook his head. "I saw only the back, sir," he repeated monotonously.

Lombardo had an idea. "We will go to the place where you saw the man, Pedro," he announced. "The gentlemen in turn will put on the sombrero, and carry the whip, and you will say which, if any, looks like the man you saw. Where is the whip?"

"There's a whip there on the table under my hat." Elsa remarked casually. "One I've carried with me riding." She indicated a table against the wall near the door. Alvarez went to the table and brought back a quirt I recognized as the one Elsa had used that morning in her savage attack upon Chesebro. Lombardo took it.

"Yours?" he asked, gesturing toward Elsa.

"No; not mine. It belongs here on the rancho. I found it, when I wanted a whip, on the rack outside where the hats hang."

"Ah, so?" Lombardo turned the quirt about in his hands, examining it. It interested Lombardo who studied it for a moment. Finally and without releasing his hold he held it out toward Pedro. "Is this the whip you saw, Pedro?"

The pulque man took one quick, fascinated glance, then looked away. "I do not know, sir; there was a whip in the hand."

"Come; the gentlemen, please; the ladies, too. Follow me." Lombardo spoke quickly. He led the way toward the somber room where the body of Chesebro still lay in its huge mound within the dim pool of candlelight.

"Where were you when you saw the man enter the room?" Lombardo demanded.

"I am here, sir," he answered, pointing with a trembling finger to a tall piece of furniture against the wall. "I saw the man coming, and I feel I have trespassed where I should not go. So I conceal myself there and wait for him to pass."

"Very well, Pedro; you stand there now, and one of the gentlemen will put on the sombrero and carry the whip and walk past you."

"I did not see the face, sir; I see only the back," the pulque man reminded him as he took his station.

"Now, which of you will be the first?" Lombardo asked, ignoring the man's remark.

Reed Barton stepped forward, still dressed in the costume of the Charro, except for his own sombrero which he had left among the others on the rack near the front door.

"Ah, so? Thank you, sir." Lombardo gave him Rumble's hat, which Reed set atop his head, greatly increasing the height of his tall figure. "Now the whip," said Lombardo, and that was given him. "And now, Pedro, the gentleman comes from this direction and walks to the door, opens it and enters, is it not so?"

"Yes, sir."

Reed withdrew and began a slow but steady walk down the dim passageway to the door behind which lay the body of the murdered man. I drew back against the wall beside Rogers, whose body was crowded close against mine. I felt a tenseness in his muscles and realized with what extraordinary alertness his eyes followed the tall figure of Reed Barton as he re-enacted the dread prologue to the death of Chesebro. Slowly, inevitably, he approached the door to the room. Rogers had become so intent upon this re-enactment that he was drawn a few steps after him, studying the figure, his every action and move. As Reed touched the door-knob, when we all were intent upon this last act before we should turn to demand of the pulque man his verdict, there was a sudden rustling sound behind us. It was followed by a rapid shuffle of feet in loose guaraches, and before our astonished gaze as we turned, Pedro, the pulque man, was running away as fast as his thin legs could carry him.

Nor did we find him later that night after the police had taken their departure, their questions exhausted, their plan of re-enactment of the murder scene abruptly ended by the departure of Pedro, although, directed by Sam Chatfield, we searched diligently. There was an old moon. The others at last had scattered. Only Huntoon Rogers and I lingered in the patio.

"What do you make of it, Hunt?" I inquired, meaning the night's tragic happening and the comic opera exit of the star witness. He was slow to reply. At last he said:

"Did you see the whip at any time during Reed's walk down the dim passageway? He carried it in his hand, you know."

"I saw him take the whip."

"But did you see it in his hand as he walked?"

"No."

"Does that not strike you as interesting?"

"It means much, I think; it explains what has happened in the kitchen when Pedro described the appearance of Chesebro's murderer, he put the whip in his hand. Pedro took his stand at the spot where he says he observed the death march, a chair where it rested and held it out to Pedro. "Is this the sombrero visible carried quietly at the side.

"Therefore, Barry, it is simple to reason that Pedro either lied when he said the man carried a whip, or he saw him elsewhere in the house at a time and place where the whip was plainly visible."

We sat together in the patio turning over the possibilities that lay close to the fact, the corollaries that might flow from it. Did Pedro, therefore, also hold the secret of that other murder far to the north of us in California and distant now in time by more than a year? Finally, I said what was in my thoughts.

"Reed Barton?"

Huntoon Rogers did not reply at once. He leaned forward on the bench, his hands upon his knees, staring into the shadows at our feet.

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## Jugoslavia's 'Tito'

*By Frank Gervasi*

*(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with Collier's Weekly.)*

Fifteen years ago, Josip Broz was a nameless man hunted as a Communist criminal by the police and secret agents of the then most powerful figure in Jugoslavia, Gen. Pera Zivkovic, strong-arm front man for he late pious, dictatorial King Alexander.

Josip Broz did not have a birth certificate, much less a passport. For the entire year 1928, he lived in the political underworld of cellars and garrets in Belgrade, Zagreb and Split, and wherever he could find refuge.

His crime? He had organized the Metal Workers' Union and was one of the leaders of the trade-union movement in Jugoslavia.

He was caught early in 1929 and jailed. He was released four years later with gray in the soft waves of his brown hair, ulcers in his stomach and a dream in his brain.

**Leader of 300,000 Fighters.**

Today, at the age of 55, he stands at the head of an army of 200,000 to possibly 300,000 oddly uniformed but uniformly determined men and women known as "Partisans," who have proved everlastingly that slaves men may win battles but free men win wars.

**Today Josip Broz is the military and spiritual leader of a movement which has broken the Nazis' hold on the Balkans, obviated an Allied offensive in southeastern Europe until the main German armies can be crushed in the East and West, and has given new meaning to the words "A People's War" and "The Four Freedoms."**

To his army and the guerrilla bands and to millions of Jugoslavs in freed territory and the outside world, Josip Broz is known as Tito.

"Tito" means you and "To" means this. Broz has few idiosyncracies or mannerisms to mark him apart from other men, but one of them is the habit of prefacing an order with "You do this." Hence his name. It is pronounced Tee-toe.

To the Titos of this world and their followers must go an indefinable measure of credit for the victory that will be ours.

To one particular Tito—he who was born on a 30-acre farm near Zagreb of a Croat father and a Slovene mother—must go most of the credit for the rebirth of Jugoslavia and the immobilization of the German armies in the Balkans, and the setting into motion of a revolution in southeastern Europe which might provide a permanent solution to the problems of one-third of the people of that continent.

**Mikhailovitch Helped.**

What credit isn't Tito's must be given to Draja Mikhailovitch, who unfortunately chose, at one stage of his dramatic career as liberator, to turn from killing Germans to taking part in civil war and only sporadically resumed the bigger job.

Tito is of slightly more than medium height, broad-shouldered, long armed and sturdy-legged. His head acts low on his shoulders and it is a remarkable head. In profile, it is the head of a poet and philosopher who is also a skilled craftsman—a Cellini perhaps. Full face, it is the tough, determined visage of a triple threat halfback.

**A side view of this prodigious proletarian shows a high forehead bulgy shaggy brows with a deep crease between them, capable of eloquent frowning. Tito's nose is long, slightly beaked, with thick nostrils. He has a straight, kindly mouth, good chin and a heavy work man's neck. There is what some would call an American Indian cast in his features.**

Face to face, he looks remarkably like a clean-shaven Stalin, the effect being accentuated consciously or not by the cut of his unadorned broad Russian tunic.

He speaks matter-of-factly, in a low, well-modulated voice, looks directly at you as he talks and never speaks until you have finished what you have to say. He talks, they say, to each individual in an audience, moving his eyes deliberately from one person to another.

He smokes innumerable cigarettes in chain fashion, from a small holder. Far from being "a man of steel," he is capable of great emotion.

**Mourns for Dead.**

"When something really blood happens," a man who spent months with him in Jugoslavia told me, "he's knocked out. No hysterics, no pyrotechnics. He just retires quietly for hours, as he did the night he got word that his friends Miloseve and Kovasevic had been killed."

Out of their affection for Tito, the people have fashioned a legendary man of extraordinary courage and endurance who rides a white charger and walks uphill to spare its strength, who is always at the head of his guerrilla detachments.

# Washington Digest

## Allied Command Aided By French Underground



Quarter of Million Men in France Said to Be Ready, Anxious and Able to Bear Arms Against Germans.

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"Arms are what we want, arms, arms, arms!"

My companion leaned across the table and pounded it with Gallic fervor, his black eyes flashing.

It was our first meeting for more than a year, and I knew that those eyes fixed on me so earnestly had met the light of the desert sun, for he had fought with the Free French forces under De Gaulle in Africa and had had many an adventure serving his country abroad before he returned for this visit to his temporary home.

"We have a quarter of a million men in the French underground, ready, willing, able and anxious to bear arms—only one out of 20 of those has a single firearm, and that means that while 12 men can harrass the German forces, as they are doing every day and every night, despite their inadequate help from the outside, 228 others must sit, twiddling their thumbs. They are getting very tired of waiting but their ennui would leave them if firearms could be put in their hands. If America will provide them, we will guarantee to get them into France, we will guarantee to transport them and distribute them."

It is very difficult to write of that shadowy world, the European underground, for even the few scraps of information which one might piece together make a dangerous pattern which might bring swift enemy reprisal.

There is no question about the efficiency and the effectiveness of this silent army in France, in all the occupied countries for that matter. There is no question about the fact that through it flows a steady stream of information out of the heart of the enemy territory right back to the Allied high commands.

Today two-thirds of the Creusot factories, once the makers of the famous French 75s, long a vital source of the German arms supply, have been declared out of commission by a group of loyal Frenchmen, according to a story that is now current in Washington.

### *Few Involved*

They did it at very little expense, few men were involved, and not a single civilian life was lost. They did it by blowing up a key dam and thus cutting off the electric power from the plant. At least three expensive Allied air raids, long and carefully planned, had failed to destroy this dam.

Not long ago, word came to another group of these French guerrillas that a German munition train was about to move over a certain stretch of track. The bolts were removed and the rails spread. Then came the word that ahead of the munition train was a passenger train. Immediately men were sent out to flag the passenger train and order it to slow down while other men worked feverishly to put back the bolts. The passenger train went on safely. Once more, the bolts were withdrawn and before long the munition train was a wrecked and smoking mass. No French civilian had been injured.

Less dramatic is the thankless and difficult task which the French National Committee of Liberation, with has before it, attempting to work out with the provisional assembly, the machinery for administering the areas of France as they are liberated by the Allied armies. The committee must labor in an atmosphere of deliberation and enforced delay which the mood of the underground finds it hard to grasp.

The members of the French National Committee of Liberation, with headquarters in Algiers, have gradually achieved more and more authority under the Allies. There have been many obstacles to overcome and the French, of course, feel that they have not been given the free hand which they desired and deserved. However, within recent weeks, it has been evident that the Allies are changing their ultra-conservative policy and it is now taken for granted that representatives of this committee, and later the provisional assembly, will meet in Africa, and which is made up of persons representing various groups in France, will be given the responsibilities of administering the re-occupied French territory as it is liberated, piece by piece; also of creating the machinery for the final plebescite which will decide the permanent government.

### *Great Difficulties*

The committee itself works under great difficulties. Many of the members are utterly inexperienced in politics and they have responsibilities much greater than a normal governmental body would have. They must serve as an administrative agency, they must serve as a quasi-legislative body, and they must likewise plan regulations governing procedure in the interim between liberation of France and the time when a free election is held.

The recent meeting of the assembly (February 29) began the long and complicated consideration of the plans for the provisional government. One typical plan suggested can now be described in some detail although, of course, it is likely to be modified as a result of the discussion in the coming weeks and months, and in its application thereafter.

It covers, roughly, two phases.

First, is partial liberation.

Just as soon as the Allies have taken over a portion of France and the military organization moves forward, the French committee would be placed in charge under this plan. Immediately municipal officers would be selected, councils for each municipality. When an entire province has been taken over, each municipal council already functioning would select delegates to the assembly now existing in Algiers. There are, at present, about 110 members of this assembly, composed of Frenchmen who have been selected by the underground organizations, by political organizations and by labor and other groups, and have been smuggled into Africa. They would be joined, or perhaps substituted by, the newly elected delegates chosen by the municipal groups of each province. There would be approximately one for each 100,000 inhabitants.

Finally, the day comes when Allied troops march down the Champs Elysees and across the Seine to the Place du Palais Bourbon. Then the ancient building, which housed the chamber of deputies of the Third Republic, will open its doors to the new assembly. By this time, it will probably represent at least two-thirds of France.

### *Second Step*

Now the second step of the plan, now considered, will be taken.

The assembly will have reached, depending on the populations liberated, some 400 members.

Then the provisional government (I use the word "government" in the European sense; we would call it the "cabinet" with an executive head) would be chosen by the assembly. The national committee would cease to be the executive body but would assist the assembly, under this chosen government, to work out the plan for the general election which would decide upon the form of government which France would have.

However, this election could not be held once for the thousands upon thousands of Frenchmen taken from their homes for forced labor in Germany and elsewhere would have to be repatriated first.

Every attempt is now being made to carry out the preliminary plans for procedures in the spirit, if not exactly in accordance with the letter of the French constitution and law. There are, however, many practical difficulties which arise. Take the question of woman suffrage. Under the French constitution, women are not permitted to vote. However, at present, with most of the men away in the army or as deportees in Germany, the women make up the majority of the population. Therefore, it would be desirable for them to cast the ballot in order to get a true representative opinion of any locality.

Meanwhile, the cry of the loyal Frenchman, in and out of his country, is for arms and ammunition, dynamite and the other tools of sabotage and demolition with which they believe they can vitally disrupt communications and assist the invasion.

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

There are 1,700,000 rural boys and girls 10 to 21 years old who are now members of 4-H clubs. They live in every county in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

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The war department has revealed that the army air forces have destroyed 60 per cent of Germany's capacity to produce fighter planes.

Production of prewar models of all-metal domestic ice refrigerators will not be resumed in the near future, the WPB reports, mainly because reversion would involve a long change-over period.

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Civilians in the U. S. will have more frozen vegetables during the next five months, as a result of an expected record high production.

### *Gems of Thought*

WE DEEM those happy who, from the experience of life, have learned to bear its ills without being overcome by them.—Juvenal.

**Hope, like the glimmering taper's light, adorns and cheers our way; and still, as darker grows the night, emits a brighter ray.—Goldsmith.**

*Joy comes and goes, hope ebbs and flows,*
*Like the wave.*
*Change doth unknit the tranquil strength of men.—Arnold.*

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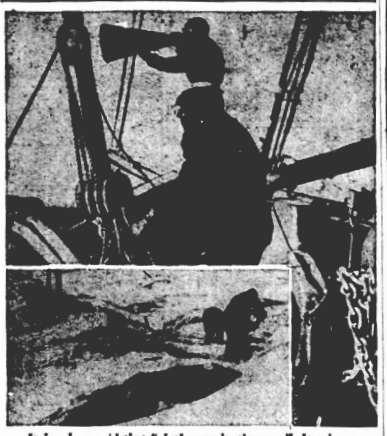
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# Clothes Help Fight World War II In Frigid Arctic Areas



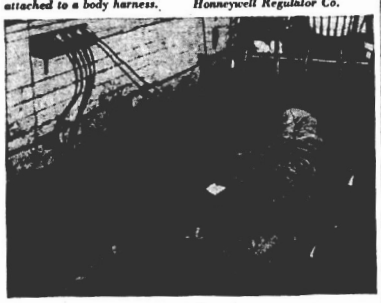
*It has been said that "clothes make the man." It takes more than clothes to make a soldier. But since he must fight in the frigid temperatures of the arctic, his clothes must be designed to keep him warm enough to think and fight efficiently whether he is bucking a North Atlantic wind or an Aleutian island snowstorm as in the pictures above.*



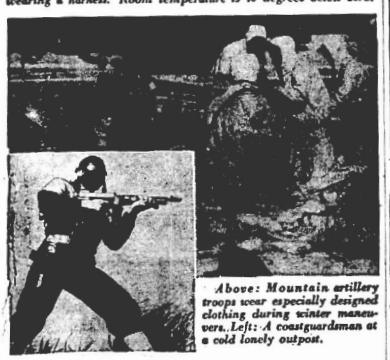
*Winter clothes are developed by the army quartermaster corps. A volunteer is shown walking in an arctic room. Cable is attached to a body harness.*



*Body heat passes to an electronic potentiometer developed by the Brown Instrument Co., a division of the Minneapolis-Honneywell Regulator Co.*



*The potentiometer measures body temperatures in a few seconds. On the floor in above picture is a sleeping bag containing a soldier wearing a harness. Room temperature is 40 degrees below zero.*



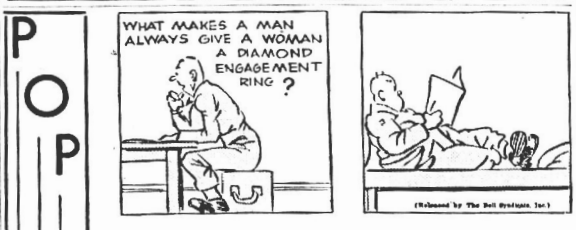
*Above: Mountain artillery troops wear especially designed clothing during winter maneuvers. Left: A coastguardman at a cold lonely outpost.*



*Several volunteers take part in arctic room tests.*

# • OUR COMIC SECTION •







**HIRED?**



Employer—Have you any references?

Applicant—I've got this letter from my last boss: "He worked for us two days and we are satisfied."

**U Said It!**

Bill—What letter is the merriest in the alphabet?

Joe—"U," because it's always in "fun."

**Saturday Night?**

Voice From the Bathroom—Mom, when did you get the new soap?

Mother—Now, Junior, we've had that soap for a week!

**In the Army**

Louie—You're getting corpulent, Private—Thanks for the promotion.

**In This Corner!**

Joe—What's this I hear about your having a fight with your wife and making her come crawling to you on her knees?

Bill—Yeah, she was on her knees all right, but what she said was, "Come on out from under that bed, you worm!"

**Pardon My French!**

Mabel—Can you sing with verve?

Betty—Which verse?

Mabel—I said with verve!

Betty—Oh, no, I don't know that song!

**Tall Story**

Harry—I fell over fifty feet today.

Jerry—Were you hurt?

Harry—No, I was just going through a crowded bus!

**Wrong Word?**

Tourist—Doesn't drinking so many different wines make you sick?

Wine Taster—Oh, no! It's only the indifferent wines that do that!

**Rationed!**

Jones—I'm going to complain. My plate is damp!

Smith—Shush, that's your soup!

**PERFECTLY POSSIBLE**



Johnny—My grandfather didn't have a haircut for 20 years.

Jimmy—He must have been a queer looking duck.

Johnny—Not at all. He was just bald.

**Head of the Class**

Teacher—Correct the sentence: It was me that spilt the ink.

Pupil—It wasn't me that spilt the ink!

**Haunted House**

Ghost One—I hear you and your wife aren't living together.

Ghost Two—Well, we aren't on spooking terms anyway.

**Let's Skip It**

Harry—What do you think of Czechoslovakia?

Jerry—Well, it's hard to say!

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**Early Thought.**

A BIT early, perhaps, to speak of graduation frocks, but the lovely young miss no doubt already is thinking of the time when she will want one of the prettiest, most youthful of frocks that she has ever possessed. This one is a love and can be used as her nicest dance dress later on.

Barbara Bell Pattern No. 1941 is in sizes 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 12, long dress requires 4¼ yards 39-inch material; short dress, 3¼ yards 39-inch material.

**Spring Beauty.**

IT'S a wonder garment—you can use it as the base for half-a-dozen costumes. Wear the jumper with gay blouses—the jacket with separate sports skirts, with slacks. Jacket and jumper worn with Ascot scarf makes a smart spring suit!

# HOUSEHOLD HINTS

**Two large staples** nailed to the end of a porch step will make a handy hold-back for removing heavy rubbers.

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**To remove** the odor of onions from knife or hands, wash them in cold water. Hot water sets the odor.

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**When making gravy,** stir with a slotted spoon. The liquid runs through the slots and does not spill over the stove.

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**If you have** some worn out socks and do not know what to do with them, put them to work in your mop clamp. They will make a fine mop.


## END LAXATIVE HABIT THIS EASY WAY!

**Millions Now Take Simple Fresh Fruit Drink — Find Harsh Laxatives Unnecessary**

It's lemon and water. Yes!—Just the juice of 1 Sunkist Lemon in a glass of water—first thing on arising.

Taken first thing in the morning, this wholesome drink stimulates bowel action in a *natural* way—assures most people of prompt, *normal* elimination.

Why not change to this *healthful* habit? Lemon and water is good for you. Lemons are among the richest sources of vitamin C, which combats fatigue, helps you resist colds and infections. They also supply B, and P. They alkalinize, aid appetite and digestion. Lemon and water has a fresh tang, too—cleans the mouth, wakes you up!

Try this grand wake-up drink 10 mornings. See if it doesn't help you! Use California Sunkist Lemons.

RIGHT

You breathe freer almost instantly as just 2 drops Penetro Nose Drops open your cold-clogged nose to give your head cold air. Caution: Use only as directed. 25c. 2½ times as much for 50c. Get Penetro Nose Drops

Tropical Pure VANILLA EXTRACT

## Should a husband tell his Wife!



## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faircloth announce the birth of a 9¾ pound son Thursday morning at 4:40 a. m. The son was named Miles Stanley Faircloth. Mrs. Faircloth was formerly Miss Lois Shurly. Mr. Faircloth is now an employee of Mr. John Giddens.


**PARK THEATRE**
AVON PARK, FLORIDA
"HOUSE OF HITS"

SATURDAY
*"Gaucho Serenade"*
GENE AUTRY
*"He's My Guy"*

SUNDAY & MONDAY
*"Jack London"*
MICHAEL O'SHEA
SUSAN HAYWARD

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
*"Battle Of Russia*
*United States*
*Government"*
*"Dangerous*
*Blondes"*
ALLYN JOSLYN

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
*"Lassie Come*
*Home"*
RODDY MACDOWALL
EDMUND GLENN


## *Power Corporation Sponsors Broadcast*

R. R. Brown, local manager of the Florida Power corporation, announced yesterday that the utility company would sponsor two broadcasts direct from Bok Tower on March 12th and 19th.

These broadcasts are brought to the radio listeners of this area by our company as a wartime community service," declared Brown, "for we realize that in former years many thousands of people made the pilgrimage to the tower and bird sanctuary but due to wartime conditions they are now unable to hear this beautiful music."

The program to be heard this Sunday evening at 8:30 over radio station WSUN is dedicated to the Florida Council for the Blind, who are conducting a "Better Vision Week" calling attention to the need for greater care of vision.

Brown stated that R. Henry P. Johnson, district governor of the Lions clubs in Florida and chairman of the Florida Council for the Blind, would speak briefly at the beginning of the program.

The musical numbers to be heard during the thirty minute broadcast are:

America
Roars and Moans the Knieper ..... Russian Song
Onward Christian Soldiers ..... A. Sullivan
Eternal Father, Strong to Save ..... J. B. Dykes
Serenade ..... Schubert
U. S. Marine Hymn
Star Spangled Banner


# For Sheriff
# Tom Dimberline

*Your Vote and Support Will*
*Be Appreciated*



**NORTH-SOUTH-WEST**



**IT'S ALL FLORIDA!**

Whether you work on a farm in Live Oak, a factory in Jacksonville or a hotel in Palm Beach, you ARE affected by state problems. That's why you need a man whose vision and experience PROVES he can direct state progress.

Elect
**ERNEST R. GRAHAM**
the ALL-FLORIDA GOVERNOR
Paid Political Adv.





# *FIGHTING PARTNERS*

The boy in the tank and the man on the tractor are partners — fighting partners — in this war for Freedom! We on the home front must furnish the food (16,000,000 more acres of it than last year's record total), to supply our boys with *what they need for Victory.*

With farm labor short, every piece of farm machinery must be kept in the fields working, in fighting-trim, and not in the shed for repairs. Rust, dirt and wear *must* be prevented.

In this *More Food Production* fight, your Standard Oil man is also a fighting partner. He is helping the Southern farmer keep his trucks, tractors and machinery fighting-fit by giving helpful service and advice on farm machinery maintenance and making *dependable* fuels and lubricants available *everywhere.*

Always anxious to serve, your Standard Oil man can certainly render you *extra* service now. Ask him for a free copy of his 64-page "Wartime Maintenance Manual."

**STANDARD OIL COMPANY**
INCORPORATED IN KENTUCKY


## *HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY NOTES*

At the December meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association, the members voted the sum of $100 to be used for the purchase of new library books. The order for 81 books was made early in January. Seventy books have arrived, some for grades 1-4, grades 5-8, and high school. Several books ordered were out-of-print or temporarily out of stock. The out of stock will come later perhaps and other books will be ordered in place of the out-of-print books.

The 5th and 6th grade library books will go into circulation first. All of these books will be ready for use by March 13th. The other groups will be ready for circulation by March 20.

During this school year, five library books have been lost and paid for by students who lost them. The original cost of the book, its age, and its physical condition are factors in determining its present value. The student pays part and the library pays part to replace a lost book. In some instances, books are not available; therefore, it is very important that we do not lose books. The best way to build up a standard collection of books is to hold fast to the books on hand and add a good number of new books to this year.

The dues on overdue books continue to run well below average considering the amount of circulation. The majority of students return books on time and never make any overdues at all. The overdues collected for January is mounted to $2.72 — for February, $2.70. Three new books have been ordered and will be paid for out of above mentioned overdues. These books have a strong appeal for boys and girls of high school age.

GREAT TRADITION by Allen is of interest to both boys and girls as it is a college story.

THIRTY FATHOMS DEEP by Ellsberg is of particular interest to boys who like daring and danger and diving.

SUE BARTON RURAL NURSE, by Boylston is of great interest to girls who are interested in the nursing profession.

These books should arrive and get into circulation during March. Two replacements have been ordered: Let's Fly by Vetter and Christmas stories by Van Buren.

The number of books circulated each month continues very satisfactory. Examinations at the end of January naturally have a reducing effect on the circulation of library books — that was to be expected.

Circulation statistics follow:
January — 994 books circulated.
February — 1006 books circulated.

March will likely have a larger circulation, as students are showing a great deal of interest in the 160 new books put into circulation during January and February.

## *Practice Cooperation Graham Advises*

GAINESVILLE, Fla., March 9 —"Quit merely talking united cooperation, and live it in your everyday business," is State Sen. Ernest R. Graham's answer to Florida's post war problems.

Discussing his candidacy for governor with a group of supporters here, the Dade county farmer-businessman said Florida's problems and opportunities in one section are interwoven with problems and opportunities in every section.

He emphasized this by explaining that the pension check of a needy aged person in West Florida depends on the tourist season in Miami, since money for the aged comes from racing; that an Arcadia cattleman's success may depend on the citrus crop in the Indian River country, since citrus pulp has been discovered as an excellent cattle food and that a tourist dollar spent in Pensacola may help build a road in Key West through the gasoline tax money allocated to the road department.

"Perhaps the most obvious example," he said, "is the fact that Agricultural Florida, with 30,000,000 undeveloped acres of land available, easily can supply demand for meat, poultry, vegetables and dairy products in Florida tourist and industrial centers. There's a $50,000,000 market for these products in the tourist industry alone, and that doesn't even begin to tell the story.

"There's nothing very difficult in solving Florida's problems, if we all co-operate, but let's quit just talking about it and live it in our everyday lives."

**INVEST IN AMERICA,**
**BUY U. S. WAR BONDS!**





It's often easy to feel them into thinking a garment is new by simply entrusting it to us for professional service.

***HALL'S***
***Dry Cleaning***
Phone 53


The Board of Directors of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Building at 8:15 P. M.
All members invited to attend meetings.
J. Paul Garber, Secy.


**FLOWERS**

*Local Delivery*
*and By Wire*

*EASTER*
*April 9th*

**Avon Gardens**
H. R. CURRIE
Phone 27-W


## CLASSIFIED ADS

PERMANENT WAVE, — 50c! Do your own Permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment including 40 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely harmless. Praised by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. S. S. Thayer Jacaranda Drug Co.

FULLER BRUSHES, — Edgar Stauffer, 33 S. Ridgewood Drive, Sebring. Mar. 10

FOR SALE — Lakefront furnished homes. $3000 and $2800. Half cash, balance terms. Phone 251. C. T. Ratliff, Wauchula. Mar. 3-13

STEADY WORK. — Get established in a business of your own. Earnings start immediately. Well known company has an opening in Avon Park for the right man or woman. Write the J. R. Watkins Company, 72-80 W. Iowa, Memphis 2, Tennessee.

WANTED: Fluger Supreme. reel and rod, and metal tackle box. Phone 37 M. 1tpd.

FOR SALE: 30-30 Winchester center fire, telescope sights, some cartridges. Palmetto Creek Farm, Box 85. 1tpd.

RIDING HORSE — For Sale.— If you want a nice, sound, non-galited mare with class, look her over. Call 230 J.

FOR SALE — Five and three burner oil stoves. Telephone 61-W, 20 East Church St. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — To settle estate, three bedroom house, furnished. Lake front on Tulane Circle. Inquire R. I. Harris or Mrs. Cora Canfield. Mar. 10, 17.

WANT BOAT TRAILER, unless the tires are pretty good, no sale. Western Auto Store, Avon Park, Fla.

FOR SALE — One nine piece walnut dining room suits. Phone 185, Wauchula. Mrs. L. P. Taylor. March 10, 17.

WANTED — Adding machine in good condition. Call Jimmy, Wells Motor Company. 1tpd.

LOST — Red bill fold with name Grace Foster on social security card. Also had stamp book, money. Grace Foster, care LAMA, Avon Park.

WANTED — Elgin or Waltham watch. G. R. Sumner, Box 715, Avon Park.

$100 CASH — Balance monthly buys house with bath. McCorkle, 228 Tulane Circle.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Notice Sale No. 1008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that R. O. Hunt, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 616
Year of Issuance: 1926
Description of Property: SE¼ of NE¼, of NW¼ of Section 24 Township 36 South, Range 29 East. 10 Acres.
Name in which assessed — Unknown.
All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.

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

Dated this 29th day of February, 1944.

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

March 3, 10, 17, 24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Notice Sale No. 1022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Lloyd A. and Emma Jean Zorn, the holders 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. 982
Year of Issuance 1926
Description of Property: Lots 9 and 16, Block 5 McAuley's addition Per Plat 1, Pages 47 & 48, in Section 21, Township 34 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed J. G. Beardsley.

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

Unless such 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 April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1944.

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

March 3, 10, 17, 24.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of CLARA E. COY, deceased, late of said county to the County Judge of HIGHLANDS County, Florida, at his office in the Court House at Sebring Florida, within eight calendar months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing and must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, and must be sworn to by the claimant, his agent or his attorney, or the same will become void according to law.

This 16th day of February, 1944.

CORA COY CANFIELD
Administratrix of the Estate of CLARA E. COY, Deceased.

First Publication on February 18th, 1944.
Feb. 18, 25, March 3, 10.

IN THE COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.
IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1943

Re Estate of GEORGE F. SMITH, 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 Geoge F. Smith, 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 twelve months from the date of the first publication hereof.

You are further notified that such claim or demand must be presented in writing, and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney.

Date of first publication, January 7, 1944.

FRED M. SMITH
Administrator of Said Estate.
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Notice Sale No. 1005

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

Certificate No. 615
Year of Issuance 1926
Description of Property: NW¼ of SE¼, of NW¼, S. NW¼ of NW¼ of NW¼ of Section 24, Township 39 South, Range 29 East 20 acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.
All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.

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

Dated this 29th day of February, 1944.

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

March 3, 10, 17, 24

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Notice Sale No. 1009

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

Certificate No. 616
Year of Issuance: 1926
Description of Property: SW¼ of NE¼, of Section 36, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, 10 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 April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.

Dated this 29th day of February, 1944.

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

March 3, 10, 17, 24

# Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DIMBERLINE

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.

DAN YOUNG

FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends, prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent, of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of this county subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

F. G. GEARING

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the confidence shown me of having no announced opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

FOR CONSTABLE

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park the last two terms as Chief, and solicit your support as this is the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. B. (BOB) MASSEY

FOR CONSTABLE, FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my candid attention. I will appreciate your votes and support.

WILEY SAULS

FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND K. DROT

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination as your county Judge. I will appreciate your vote and support, and promise you, as in the past, efficient, and courteous operation of the office.

THOS. A. MCNICHOLAS

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PI...

FOR STATE ...

In making my de... for State Senator ... Senatorial District ... full realization of ... of the office and the ... the citizens of the ... volved. The next f... be, I believe, of ... ance in the post-war ... world for those of ... the returning of our ... men in the armed ... experience as a ... farmer, cattle raiser, ... well as county and ... money fully qualified ... to understand your ... to be able to render ... lee in Tallahassee. ... up with any particul... under obligation to a... elected, will work for ... and advancement of ... represent as a whole.

Your support and ... greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. ...

FOR JUSTICE OF ...

I hereby announce ... for Justice of the Peace of ... First District, Highlands County, ... subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER.

# THE AVON PARK SUN

VOLUME XIX—NUMBER 18 | AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 1944 | THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 28, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1941


Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

A note of anxiety has entered the home of Mrs. Julian Blake (Evelyn Martin Blake), as she is in receipt of a special letter written by her husband, Lt. Julian Blake, pilot of a B-17, who has been stationed in England for the past several months. The twelve-page letter was written by Lt. Blake January 28th just before he left on a raid. He gave it to a friend, requesting him to mail the letter to his wife if he did not come back. The ship did not return to England, so the companion officer mailed the letter to Evelyn on March 6. No official news has been received from the war department. The family has cabled Lt. Blake's commanding officer and expect to hear from him in a few days.

A/C Vernon Lanier, who is completing his basic training at the naval air station at Hutchinson, Kansas, is expected home this week end for a visit at his home.

Lt. J. (Junior) McConnell, U. S. Coast Guard, who has been transferred to Brooklyn, New York from duty off Key West, writes home that he longs for Florida, his mother says. He wrote the family that if he ever gets back down this way, he hopes to stay. "Give me Florida sunshine," he says. Since being transferred, he has been confined to the hospital, with a bad cold, but hopes to be back on duty soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wild are in receipt of a telegram from the Red Cross at Washington, D. C., advising them that their daughter, Miss Caroline E. Wild had arrived safely in England. Miss Wild is a Red Cross recreational worker and received her training at Fort Devens, Mass.

Lt. Ouida Martin arrived this week from Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, where she is stationed and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Martin.

Henry Elwell, petty officer, second class, U. S. Navy, now stationed at New Caledonia, expects to return to the states soon, to attend navy flight training school. Harry writes his parents that "Dyck Cole, who graduated in his class from Avon Park high school, is also in New Caledonia, and they are seeing each other often."

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shepherd have received word that their son, 2nd Lt. Charles E. Shepherd had arrived safely overseas. Lt. Shepherd is with a replacement company.

Herbert Todd, who spent his ten day furlough at home, has returned to Camp Blanding for finishing his pre-flight and from there goes on to Maxwell Field for primary flying.

Mrs. William Ellis Grainger of Wauchula, formerly Ruth Fields of Avon Park, and wife of Pfc. Grainger with his signal corps outfit on the Makin Islands, has just had the interesting experience of accidently coming across her husband's picture in The Sun. He was shown with a group of officers, and whose dancing a small native girl in a grass skirt. She thought it "kinda looks like Buck, stooping down at the right hand end of the group," but she wasn't too sure. Anyway, she sent him the picture, and here enough here came a letter right back saying it was he and Ruth immediately phoned The Sun for several extra copies of the paper for herself and relatives. Ruth says she was really thrilled over finding the picture! Pfc. Grainger has been at this point since November.

Pvt. William Croft, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Croft, who is recuperating at MacDill Field hospital, following a serious illness with pneumonia, expects to return to Camp Reynolds, Greenville, Pa., as soon as he is able.

## Legion Sponsors Red Cross Benefit Fights March 31

The American Legion voted Wednesday night to sponsor a Red Cross benefit boxing match Friday night, March 31, in the Armory, with fighters to be furnished by the Avon Park Army Air Field. The base will furnish the ring, seats and fighters. The Legion will handle publicity and ticket sales.

A schedule of prices announced are: School children 35c; soldier and date, $1.00; civilian — ringside $5.00; reserved seats, $2.50 and $1.00.

The program will start at 8:30, and eight bouts are being arranged. The 740th band from the base will furnish music.

Harry Price and W. M. Hetherington were appointed on the Legion committee.

Mrs. Fred Stevens of Sebring, is spending several days here at the L. M. Beck home.

# R. F. Sappington Dies Sunday Result of Fall

### *Funeral Services Held Tuesday in Sebring*

Funeral services for Ross Fraser Sappington, 59, prominent hardware merchant of Avon Park, who died early Sunday morning in a Sebring hospital from a concussion, caused by a fall at his store on Saturday morning, were held at 10:00 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Church of the Brethern in Sebring. The Rev. I. R. Pletcher, pastor of the church, conducted the services. By request of the family, the congregation sang, "My Jesus as Thou Wilt."

During the services, all business houses in Avon Park closed for one hour, as a mark of respect. The Boy Scouts, of which Mr. Sappington's son, Roger Edwin is a member, attended in a body.

Pallbearers were R. E. Maysack, A. B. Wilhite, I. H. Ford, E. Ray Wells of Avon Park, and Howard Hinshaw, Chas. Whitmer, Alfred Marchant, and C. O. Rogers, Sebring.

The remains, accompanied by Mrs. Sappington and Roger, were taken on the noon train to Westminister, Maryland, where interment was held Friday in the family plot at Meadow Branch cemetery.

Mr. Sappington was born August 6, 1884 in Frederick county, Maryland, the son of the late Betty Frazier and George K. Sappington. He was married to Miss Beulah East, the daughter of Mrs. Edwin A. Snader and the late Mr. Snader June 25, 1918 in Westminister.

Before coming to Avon Park Dec. 26, 1922, Mr. Sappington was a clerk in a grocery store, manager of McCrory's Stores in Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee. When he came here, he was first associated with Will Andrews in the hardware business. After about two years he bought him out, and J. S. Schweigart, was in partnership with him until 1933, when he sold out to Mr. Sappington, and went to Wauchula, where he is now owner of a hardware store. About two years ago, Roy Felknor, who has been associated with him in the business for a number of years, became a member of the firm.

Mr. Sappington was a Rotarian and a former city councilman, and was active in civic and fraternal organizations. He was a deacon and member of the finance board and ministerial board of the Church of the Brethern in Sebring of which he was a loyal member. He was also a consistent member of the WCTU.

In the death of Mr. Sappington, Avon Park loses one of its most conscientious and splendid citizen. He was successful in business and numbered by the score, his friends who admired him for his high ideals, and human understanding.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Beulah S. Sappington; one son, Roger Edwin; one brother, Dr. E. F. Sappington, Washington, D. C.; and three sisters, Mrs. Amy Furry, Union Bridge, Md., Mrs. Lillian Nusbaum, Key Mar, Md. and Mrs. Helen Nein, Laureldale, Pennsylvania.

## Reporter Balls Up Works; Roberts and Long Qualified

Will Roberts was pretty sore Sunday when he read in the Tampa Tribune that he hadn't qualified for the sheriff's race. The fact is he has been qualified since February 11. The Sebring reporter for the Tribune stated that E. G. Long and Roberts had not qualified, and opined "there were rumors in political circles that the race might simmer down to three and possibly two candidates." Sheriff Long, running for re-election paid his qualifying fee this week, and this puts the four candidates definitely in the race, all of them with the chips down. They are Sheriff Long, for re-election, Doyle Schumacher and Tom Dimberline, all of Sebring, and Will Roberts of Avon Park.

### FUNERAL SERVICES FOR INFANT

Funeral services for the three day old infant, Miles Stanley Faircloth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faircloth, who died early Sunday morning were held at 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the residence. Burial was in Bougainvillae cemetery.



MILLARD CALDWELL, candidate for Governor, will be in Avon Park for a short time Saturday afternoon to meet as many people as he can to discuss his program for Florida. The former Congressman is setting a fast pace of campaigning, which is taking him into a dozen or more counties every week. He is expected to arrive in Avon Park about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

# Pardee Enters; McNicholas Out of Judges Race

### *McNicholas Says Will Retire to Private Practice*

S. C. Pardee, Avon Park attorney, qualified late today for the office of county judge, and T. A. McNicholas, who had previously qualified to run for re-nomination, withdrew tonight from the race. The race will now be between Pardee and Howard Livingston of Sebring.

In a telephone conversation tonight, Judge McNicholas stated to the editor of the Sun that he had decided to retire from the office at the expiration of his present term. "There are two reasons," he said "First my health demands it. I need a rest. In the second place, I have just had enough. I want to retire to private practice."

Pardee qualified too late today to make a formal announcement in this issue of the Sun, but will do so next week. His entry into the race will be looked upon with considerable interest throughout the county.

All announced candidates qualified.

H. T. Piety for Clerk, P. G. Gearing for tax assessor and Roland Droit for supervisor of registration, qualified without opposition.

John Hood is also without opposition for county commissioner in the Avon Park district.

## Baptists Plan To Build New $40,000 Plant

The First Baptist Church of Avon Park has collected $13,500 in cash on its campaign to raise $40,000 for a new church building. This announcement was made at last Sunday's services by Rev. E. O. Burton, pastor of the Church, who set $20,000 as the goal to be raised by Easter, April 9.

Tentative plans call for the erection of an entire new church plant, consisting of main auditorium to seat at least 500, a Sunday school plant to take care of 600, and a modern kitchen. Funds raised now will be invested in War Bonds and thus held until after the war, when the new church will be built, according to present plans.

The new building committee announced by Rev. Burton is composed of Ray Wells, chairman, Mrs. C. F. Touchton, Irving Ford, Harold Davis and Sam Longbottom.

## *County Taxes Are Delinquent Apr. 1*

Real estate, personal and personal intangible property taxes for 1943 become delinquent April 1. After that date the law requires certain penalties, interest and advertising costs added to the bill. Tax Collector Ruth Bass Hylton urges tax payers to pay now and save additional costs.

# Community Center Plan Considered

### *Lanier Proposes Development of Donaldson Park*

A community center for Avon Park that will provide recreational facilities for young and old and furnish a meeting place for the grouping of all community activities was advocated by Charlie Lanier, president of the chamber of commerce at Thursday night's directors meeting.

Donaldson park would be developed as the site of this project, but because it requires a building program of considerable proportions, must of necessity be a post-war project. However, Lanier pointed out that it was not necessary to wait until after the war to start planning. Federal aid would probably be sought, he said.

So, while the proposition is still in the nebulous state, some of the ideas taking form call for the building of an auditorium, possibly a Woman's Club building, a public library building, a young people's club, and maybe a bandshell out over the lake. Tennis courts, shuffleboard, horseshoe, and other outdoor courts of like nature would be included. All of this would have to wait until the war is over and the trailers now occupied by essential workers move out. Naturally, the place would be headquarters for tourists and the present Winter Guest Club would have its place in the set-up.

Lanier pointed out that the young people of the community should be consulted, too, and plans to have the student council represented on a group of committees which will give further consideration to the project. No definite action was taken by the directors, but it planned to have committees represent the various civic organizations of the city, who will be asked to meet and look into the possibilities. Such a development has long been the dream of Avon Park civic leaders, and as far back as nine or ten years ago, Walter Betts, then C. of C. president had plans drawn for a bandshell and other improvements. But coming in the wake of "Hoover prosperity," the work couldn't be financed. It is generally believed money will be available for such type development after the war, and Lanier believes now is the time to get set for the job.

The directors went on record as adopting the Declaration on Principles, as adopted by the Board of Directors of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce assembled in Orlando, February 10, 1944.

Plans were discussed for improving and beautifying the grounds surrounding the building, and a drive to have old signs about the town and on the approach to Avon Park, discarded, were also planned.

Twelve new sturdy, hickory chairs, that had been ordered have arrived, and are now in use in the reception room of the building.

## *Bathing Beach To Be Made Ready By American Legion*

The new bathing beach opened late last summer on Lake Lotela will be put in condition for immediate use, it was decided by the American Legion Wednesday night. The post voted to complete the plumbing in the bath house which was built by the Legion, and clean off the sand beach in front of the property. The beach is located on the Florida Power corporation "point" which extends out into Lake Lotela, and is one of the finest natural beaches around town. The beach is already being used but should prove a very popular place when it is finished. When completed by the Legion, the beach will be operated by the city.

## *Army Call Doesn't Affect Massey In Constable Race*

Police Chief Robert S. Massey, who is a candidate for constable in the May Primary, has been accepted for military service, he was notified today, and will be leaving soon for the Army. This will in no way affect his candidacy, he said. "I will continue in the race and see it through," he said. "If elected, the governor can appoint someone to act until I return. I'll need the job when I get back just as bad as I do now," he said.



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4 WAR LOAN

Dated March 1, 1944. STATE CHAIRMAN

As an expression of appreciation from the United States Treasury Department for support given the Fourth War Loan Drive, "The People of Highlands County" have been awarded a special War Service Certificate by W. W. McEachern of St. Petersburg, Chairman of the Florida War Finance Committee.

The original certificate has been presented to Guy Maxcy, Sebring, Chairman of the Highlands County War Finance Committee.

# NEWSMAN WRITES IMPRESSIONS OF VISIT TO A P ARMY AIR FIELD

A group of nearby newsmen visited the Avon Park Army Air Field recently, and one of them, Jack Gurnett, gave his impressions in the following interesting article which appeared in the Orlando Sunday Sentinel:

BY JACK GURNETT

"Forts Smash Berlin Again."

"Battered Germany Gets It Again."

"Forts Makes Longest Foray of War"

Those are just a few of what newsmen call page-one streamers that have been appearing in the public prints from time to time—streamers that top off stories of lighting-like raids by those huge Flying Fortresses against Schicklgruber's "Fortress Europa" and in face of Goering's pledge that not a single allied bomb would ever fall on Germany.

Its an easy matter, more or less, for a copy-reader or a headwriter to slam down a 72 — or 84-point eight-column streamer on a well-written dispatch from the theatres of war, telling of the latest Flying Fortress raids.

But behind those stories is still another yarn — one of months of intense training and preparation by the 10-man crews, men of 18 to maybe 28, who fly these marvels of modern aerial warfare — the B-17, but better known as the Flying Fortress.

Many of these B-17 crews have trained right here in Florida, and more are now going through the well-organized mill which will turn out the finished, smooth-running, well-organized crews.

Down the ridge a piece is a little town known as Avon Park. Not so many months ago, it could have been called a serene place.

But there is a vastly different story to tell today.

Avon Park is the location of the world's largest bombing range, and of what is now officially known as Avon Park Army Air Field, a plot of some 220,000 (sq) acres on which is located what we believe to be the finest training plant of its kind ever devised by man.

And to back up this statement we have the never-to-be-forgotten experience of one day this past week, when in company with a group of the finest folks in Florida — weekly newspaper publishers — we made a tour of the big Avon Park installation. It was a tour which was not planned in the sense that we were shown just what the army wanted us to see. We got the works — the $10 trip and our escorts answered the $64 questions, although there are a lot of things which must go unsaid for the time being.

We assembled at the beautifully appointed officers' club where we were met by Major C. W. Roberts, the field's public relations and intelligence officer—he's been there since Nov. 2, 1942, and has seen the field grow from a pup on paper to a huge mastiff.

Major Roberts, a former investment banker of Watertown, N. Y. kicked around a bit in the 1917-18 melee, and he knows his way about. He is justly proud of the Avon Park layout—and will readily admit that the people along the ridge and in the state generally don't realize what a big job this field is doing and what an important part it is playing in the making of the headlines, not only those in today's paper but in the editions to come — and in the big extra that all newsmen dream about, the one that will splash "WAR ENDS" all over page one.

The number of enlited men and officers operating the field and training there is nobody's business — and we didn't even ask. But we can tell you this, the total would compare favorably with the population of a lot of Florida towns which like to call themselves cities.

Operating on a theatre of operations basis, the Avon Park field, using the big B-17s as classrooms, is going full blast 24 hours a day. Planes taking off on bombing missions all the time — and the 220,000 acres in the layout gives plenty of variety and spice to the bombing missions.

There is a simulated city of 55 acres, including in outline all the buildings you would find in the average town such as stores, residences, churches, municipal buildings, gas storage tanks, waterworks and the like — even a dock with a ship tied up and the big bombers bomb the daylights out of it just as fast as the repair gangs can put it back into "bombable" condition.

In another area there are bombing targets of wooden frames covered with target cloth, and after looking at them one realizes what is meant by "pin point bombing."

On eight miles of track, a railroad train moves back and forth just to offer targets to the eagle eyed bombardier in the nose of a B-17. Of course this "Nowhere and Noplace R. R." is manned by remote control — but it serves the purpose.

There are other targets which cannot be mentioned, but everything is provided to duplicate, insofar as possible, the actual types of bombing objectives which these B-17 crews will find in the theatres of war.

Another bombing objective is a full reproduction of a Jap submarine of the latest type which is moored in one of the lakes on the range. We asked if it was a popular target and we were told "it really catches hell."

"The thrill of a life time came when Major Roberts introduced the group to Captain I. Abel of Newsport News, Va., an aeronautical engineer in civil life, who is the engineering officer of one of the squadrons — and who invited us to climb aboard a Flying Fort. But before we swung up into the waist of the ship, Captain Abel

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# Red Cross Drive Starts; Rally Monday

### *Avon Park Has Quota of $6000 To Be Raised*

A city-wide canvass of Avon Park to obtain funds for the 1944 Red Cross war fund drive began Tuesday morning. Workers have a goal of $6,000 for Avon Park, including APAAF and LAMA.

A rally and pep meeting program was held Monday night in the high school as a stimulus to workers and to citizens who will be asked to contribute.

Musical numbers preceded talks by Mrs. John Bacon, international Red Cross worker, Capt. Paul Thomas and Capt. Charles A. Olson, veteran pilots of overseas combat and holders of the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal, now stationed at Avon Park Army Air Field.

The two young officers sounded the keynote to increased Red Cross activity to raise funds this year.

"You're too complacent," Captain Olson told his audience. "You think this war is almost won and that it's going to be over in a hurry. It isn't. You have to meet the enemy to realize that he's going to fight to the last ditch to win. He's no pushover."

Both men told of their experiences with the Red Cross in the South Pacific and in England. Red Cross attempts to make a little bit of home for the boys on foreign soil is the outstanding thing in war, they agreed.

"You just don't know what a lift your morale gets when you come in from a mission, tired and nerves frayed and find hot coffee and doughnuts and a sympathetic ear to listen to everything you've been through," Captain Thomas said.

Mrs. Bacon, who has been active in managing Red Cross clubs in the Far East, told of the club work of the Red Cross which has gained such significance in this war.

"It's a dreadful thing to be homesick thousands of miles from home," she said. "Our particular job with the Red Cross has been to try to see that the comforts of the home is kept up; that they can have a place to relax and rest their nerves and weary bodies; a place that's somewhat like the homes they once knew, where they can forget for a while that they are in a war."

J. Paul Garber, chairman of the campaign in Avon Park, was master of ceremonies for the program. Major C. W. Roberts, executive head of the drive at the Avon Park Army Air base introduced the two pilots. Miss Irene Ballard of Sebring, executive secretary of the Red Cross in Highlands County introduced Mrs. Bacon. R. R. Brown is co-chairman of the drive in Avon Park and the Rev. Perry B. James of Sebring is county chairman.

Capt. F. G. Swaffield, jr., is the executive head of the drive at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy.

Musical numbers were by Sgt. Harry Newell, saxophonist, Corp. Phillip J. Vallie trumpeter, Pfc. Nathan Glatt pianist, Miss Mary Silmick of Pittsburgh, vocalist, James Perdue, baritone soloist, accompanied by Miss Madge Pilcher, and by the Avon Park high school band under the direction of Miss Barbara Betts. Cecil Hunter, an instructor at Lodwick Academy and former radio comedian, was one of the high spots of the program.

Funds received from the two military establishments will be credited to Avon Park's quota of $6,000 in the county's quota is $13,000. The campaign throughout the nation will end March 31.

Those who donate $1 or more are entitled to a Red Cross membership card. It is hoped that the majority of contributions will exceed $1. The nation-wide goal is $200,000,000.

## *Water Heater Is Cause of Fire*

A residence on Verona avenue, across from the Masonic Temple, belonging to H. W. Reddick, was damaged by fire at about 1:30 last Saturday afternoon. The house was occupied by Lt. Blaker and Lt. Branch, from Avon Park Army Air Field. The blaze which did an estimated damage of $400.00, started from a kerosene water heater, according to Fire Chief Wilbur Giddens.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# National Income Reaches Record High; Reds Press Closer to Baltic States; See-Saw Fight on Anzio Beachhead; U. S. Reinforced in Admiralty Islands

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

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**Marshall Islands**—Caught off Jaluit atoll in Marshalls by U. S. naval planes, this Jap freighter was strafed and bombed and set afire.

## NATIONAL INCOME:
### *Record Level*

Boomed by the war effort, the national income of the nation's 50 million workers soared to 142 billion dollars in 1943, with about two-thirds of it spent for goods and services, the department of commerce announced.

Reflecting the country's full swing into high speed production during 1943, income increased 26 billion dollars over 1942, but reflecting the continued shortage of civilian goods, expenditures only went up 8¾ billion dollars.

From July to March, government spending reached 80 billion dollars, with 56 billion dollars paid out for the war effort. During this period, government receipts totaled 25 billion dollars, leaving a deficit of almost 35 billion dollars. Because of the recent fourth war loan drive, the government had a cash balance of 19 billion dollars.

### *Beverage Purchases*

Of the 90 billion dollars that consumers spent for goods and services in 1943, six billion dollars were expended for alcoholic beverages, the department of commerce revealed. This brought expenditures for liquors up to 846 per person, compared with $29 in 1942 and $26 in 1939.

Despite the record expenditures for alcoholic beverages, however, less liquor was actually drunk, price increases accounting for the rise. Less than 74 million gallons of hard liquor were consumed in 1943, compared with 88 million gallons in 1942. Wine consumption dropped below the 1942 level of 112 million gallons.

Total beer consumed increased during 1943, however, chiefly because of a rise in demand from 10 million to 44 million barrels of the bottled type.

## SOLDIER VOTE:
### *Compromise Bill*

In an effort to give servicemen overseas every chance to vote and yet protect states' rights in supervising elections, congressional conferees drew up a compromise bill.

Under the bill, servicemen overseas from states with no absentee voting laws could use the blank federal ballot with only the names of the political parties designated if their governors approve, or, servicemen from states with absentee voting laws could only use the federal ballot if they fail to receive their state ballot by October 1.

So far, 20 states are reported to have adequate absentee voting laws, while nine others are considering such laws or about to convene their legislators to take up action on the issue.

## RUSSIA:
### *Fighting; Diplomacy*

Nibbling deeper into Nazi defense lines, Red troops pressed ever closer to the Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, while German forces clung bitterly to their positions behind Russian forces at the southern end of the 800 mile front.

In Finland, there was agitation for better peace terms from the Russians as a basis for withdrawing from the war, with opposition to Moscow's proposals for restoration of the 1940 borders and discussion about disposition of northern Finnish territory.

Crossing the Narva river, Red troops advanced 15 miles into Estonia, while other Russ forces converged on the Latvian gateway of Pskov. Far to the south, the Reds met bitter German resistance as they tried to whittle down Nazi lines to the rear of General Valutin's troops in Poland.

## EUROPE:
### *Hold Ground*

With concentrations of heavy enemy artillery pouring shells onto their beachhead, and with strong German armored forces stabbing into to their lines, U. S. and British troops under command of Allied Gen. Harold Alexander held their own in see-saw fighting below Rome.



Gen. Alexander

Meanwhile, Allied bombers continued to blast at Nazi fighter-plane plants in Germany to reduce aerial resistance to a second-front and further attacks on European war industry.

Three times the Nazis lashed at Allied lines below Rome with tanks after heavy artillery preparations, and three times gallant U. S. and British troops gave way, only to bounce back in savage counterattacks restoring lost ground.

## PACIFIC:
### *Gain Admiralties*

Fighting with their backs to the wall in Japan's crumbling string of defensive outposts, enemy troops bitterly resisted U. S. landings on the Admiralty islands to the north of New Britain and the Solomons.

Bringing in strong reinforcements, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's command maneuvered the Japs into spreading their limited strength, however, and robbing them of concerted striking power.

As U. S. doughboys tightened their grip on the Admiralties, American warplanes ranged the whole breadth of the battle area, continuing to pound the big enemy base of Rabaul on New Britain, former feeder point for Jap barges supplying outlying islands. Occupation of the Admiralties put U. S. bomber forces directly in the path of enemy cargo shipping sailing southward to Rabaul, further weakening the once formidable base.

## AGRICULTURE:
### *Corn Ceiling Sticks*

Shortly after OPA had advised the Chicago Board of Trade president, Philip O'Brien, that the $1.16 price ceiling on corn would stick through 1944, the War Food administration announced allocation of red wheat for food, feed, alcohol, export and lend-lease would begin before June.

In testifying before a senate agriculture subcommittee, O'Brien advocated a $1.45 corn top to relieve the drain on wheat for feeding hogs, since price supports on pigs make it more profitable to fatten them than sell grain on the market.

O'Brien's statement that the country was consuming more wheat than it produced was substantiated by department of agriculture statistics which show that over one billion bushels of the grain disappeared in 1943 against harvesting of 850 million bushels.

### *Support Egg Prices*

Continuing its policy of supporting egg prices at parity, the War Food administration announced that it would pay an average of 30 cents per dozen for the period ending April 15.

Since January 1, WFA bought the equivalent of 3,980,000 cases, or 119,400,000 dozen, of shell eggs. Actual, by WFA purchases only 300,000 cases of shell eggs, although its accumulations of dried eggs were the equal of 3,700,000 cases.

Continued WFA carlot purchases will be on the basis of U. S. wholesale No. 1 and No. 2 extras, with 48 pounds minimum net weight.

## IRELAND:
### *Affected by War*

Although war has not come to Ireland, its effects are being felt in the emerald island where the river Shannon flows, with lack of materials contributing toward the closing of many industries.

Recruitment of 130,000 Irish for work in Britain, and enlistment of another 100,000 Irish in the British army have helped relieve unemployment in the country, however. Even so, at least 50,000 are idle. In an effort to hold skilled help for post-war production to balance the nation's economy, many closed industries are keeping people on their payrolls.

Certain Irish industries are booming, especially those canning meats and milk for Great Britain. With woolen goods imports cut, Irish textile mills also are humming to produce material for the home market. In all, industries generally are operating at 66 per cent of capacity.

## ARGENTINA:
### *Quell Revolt*

Turbulent South American politics took another dramatic twist with an Argentine army officer's attempted revolt against the new government of ultra-neutral Gen. Edelmiro Farrell, which ousted ex-President Pedro Ramirez because his regime was inclined toward a declaration of war against the Axis.

Because the powerful "Colonels' Club" of army chiefs was behind the move to replace Ramirez, however, the rebellious officer found himself standing alone, with no indication that his 1,000 troops were panting for action. After marching from the capital of Buenos Aires, the rebels surrendered unconditionally.

Argentina's swerving back toward a strict policy of neutrality after the Ramirez government's wavering away from it, revealed that country's insistence on maintaining its complete political independence, linking it up with its sister republic of Bolivia to the northwest.

## COLLEGE EDUCATION:
### *Would Change Titles*

Claiming that professors' titles do not always reflect the real achievements of their holders, President Robert M. Hutchins of the University of Chicago proposed abolishing all teaching distinctions like professor, associate professor, assistant professor and instructors, and calling them all merely "members" of the faculty.

Hutchins' proposal was his latest in a long list of changes he has recommended for streamlining higher American education, the most noted one adopted so far allowing students to complete an ordinary four year course in two years.

Under Hutchins' latest plan, neither present salaries nor jobs would be affected by classifying all teachers merely as members, but some complained that in hard times when compensations would be stabilized, they would be subject to effect economic loss by obtaining more prestige through higher titles.

## Burma Front




**Fighting ranged along Burma's mountainous western border country, with Allied troops freeing two divisions of British-Indians trapped by Japs moving against their rear (lower arrow). In two other sectors, the Allies drove against the enemy in the China hills (middle arrow), and fought to clear a supply road to China in the north (top arrow).**

## WOOL:
### *Stocks Plentiful*

Although the nation now has adequate supplies of wool for clothing, the two-pants suit with a vest is still forbidden by the War Production board. The reason is the shortage of manpower, since it takes more work to make those extra garments. It's the same with pleats in women's dresses, but insufficient rayon goods for linings is another reason given.

Imports of wool from Australia were not halted by the Japanese navy, as was feared. Between 800 and 900 million pounds were brought in last year and in 1943. This, plus a domestic crop stimulated by a subsidy of 18 cents a pound, has resulted in a stockpile of large proportions.

## DIAMONDS

Germany reportedly is receiving industrial diamonds from the Belgian Congo mines by an ingenious smuggling route.

A half million carats have been reaching the Reich from Congo annually, according to London sources.

The diamonds are consigned to neutral Turkey and travel across Egypt, which is under British sovereignty. From Turkey the stones progress through the Axis-controlled Balkan states to Germany, it is believed.

# Immense Task of Soil Rebuilding Faces Managers of Nation's Six Million Farms

## Land Being Mined by Excessive Cropping Will Need Fertilizer

American farmers face the most gigantic soil rebuilding job in all history when World War II is fought to a successful conclusion.

That is the considered opinion of farm economists, soil conservation experts and leading agronomists of state agricultural colleges throughout the country.

What this job will cost, no one knows yet, but it will be considerably above the 250 to 300 million dollar expenditure farmers have been making for fertilizer in recent years. Virtually all of the nation's 6,000,000 farms will need serious attention.

Two major reasons are cited by soil experts for this situation:

1—Wartime crop goals necessary to produce foodstuffs, meat, dairy products, oil and fiber crops for victory, are eating up the soil's resources of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash much faster than they can be replaced today. Steps to correct this must be taken immediately the war crisis is over.

2—The long-range job of soil conservation must be stepped up. Big-scale operations can be postponed no longer. The "fifth column" attacks of erosion are becoming more menacingly serious. Wasteful farming practices over a century and a half have squandered precious topsoil to a dangerous degree.

Farmers recognize that the present wartime drain on their soils' fertility level is a necessary contribution to victory. But they should bear in mind the imperative fact that wealth borrowed from the soil to help win this war, must be repaid later on.

Dr. George D. Scarseth, head of the agronomy department of Purdue university, summed things up when he said:

"Farmers in the Middle West and elsewhere throughout the nation are making a sacrifice in the war production program to an extent not fully realised by the world. Soils that have had to produce more crops by fertility exhaustion practices will not have dividends to pay after the war, but will require their own kind of taxation in the form of fertilizers.

"In reality, farmers are in the manufacturing business, the same as munitions makers, or steel producers. They are turning out essential products for our armed forces. They are manufacturing foods, feeds, fibers and oils out of the raw materials of the soil—the nitrogen, phosphorus, potash and lime.

"Fortunately all our soils are not exhausted of their inherited riches. But exhaustion is on the way even with our best soils, and we face a future where these raw materials must be added to the soils as fertilizers in greater amounts than in the past. Unless we do this, the productivity of the soil will sink to a dangerous level."

Concerning the future outlook, he said:

"Our war debt won't be only a matter of taxes and maturing bonds. Our farmers are asked to mine their soils because fertilizer materials are scarce. But crops must be made on the 'fat' of the soils. This means that a farmer of the future will have the handicap of a more exhausted soil and smaller crop yields to pay the taxes that will follow this war."

Just how big a drain on the soil's fertility resources does this extra crop production impose?

The answer is plenty! Take one single crop — corn — for example. Agronomists estimate that the 1941 corn crop in ten midwestern states removed 2,645,400,720 pounds of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash from the soil. Increasing wartime yields boosted this tax to 3,083,123,334 pounds in 1942 and 3,227,393,770 pounds in 1943.

Large as this removal was, it represents but a portion of the fertility loss from a single region. Add to it the fertility drain caused by producing huge yields of wheat, soybeans, potatoes, alfalfa, clover, oats and other crops and you have some idea of the depreciation of fertility resources. But that doesn't tell the whole story, either, for the job of producing livestock and dairy products requires heavy amounts of plant food, too.

The plain fact is that every time a crop is harvested and hauled to market, or livestock are shipped to a packer's yards, some of the farm's fertility goes with them. Those essential elements, nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, in various compounds, have been drawn out of the soil by the plants that grew on it. The bigger and better the crop, the more vital minerals extracted. Ordinarily, much of these elements is replaced by rotation, fallowing, or application of fertilizers, but during these war years when every field must be made to yield to the limit, there is an annual loss. Also, the scarcity of fertilizers, and shortage of help and machinery have conspired to impoverish the farmer's land.

There is still another important factor in this present soil-exhausting problem. That is the matter of increased acreage. In order to produce the extra crop quotas, not only do existing acres have to do a bigger crop yielding job but more and more acres have to be tilled. Much of this land represents a lower strata of fertility level and hence it is not able to bear the burden of heavy cropping effectively. A glance at acreage figures tells the story. In 1941 the total harvested acreage of principal crops in the United States was 334,130,000. In 1942 it rose to 338,091,000 and in 1943 to 347,400,000 acres. New production goals for 1944 propose the use of some 360 million acres.



**An aerial view of a large Georgia farm on which several soil conservation methods are used. In the upper part of the picture appears a large meadow strip, which serves as a safe water disposal area for surface runoff from adjoining fields. The curved bands are contour strip cropping, and terracing. The owner, Dr. A. C. Brown of Royston, also follows improved rotation practices.**

### One-Twelfth of Land Ruined.

When we turn to the long-range job of soil conservation that has been accumulating since the pioneer settlers' plows first broke America's virgin farm land, we find an even more serious situation.

Hugh H. Bennett, chief of the U. S. soil conservation service, is authority for the statement that 50 million acres of the nation's 600 million tillable acres have been completely ruined for agricultural purposes.

An additional 50 million acres, he estimates, are seriously damaged and a very large further acreage has suffered a marked decrease in soil fertility. As a result of the soil conservation service's work and the efforts of agronomists at state agricultural colleges and experiment stations, significant steps have been taken in recent years in combating this menacing trend. But the major task lies ahead.

Six principal factors are responsible for the foregoing losses, according to Mr. Bennett. They are erosion, leaching, the removal of fertilizer elements by harvested crops, livestock and livestock marketing, oxidation of soil organic matter, and fire.

Erosion is the worst offender, removing annually 2,500,000 tons of nitrogen, 800,000 tons of phosphorus and 15,000,000 tons of potash—the three major plant foods which make the productions of crops possible.



**Hilly land often considered practically worthless can be made to yield good returns by proper strip cropping. C. D. Blodaugh, Danville, Ohio, is shown weighing the harvest from such a field. He is one of the three million farmers now included in 692 soil conservation projects.**

Harvested crops rank next in depleting the soil and are in normal years responsible for taking out an additional 4,000,000 tons of nitrogen, 700,000 tons of phosphorus and 3,300,000 tons of potash.

Nearly a third of the fertile topsoil of American farms has been lost due to erosion, floods and the damaging effects of overcropping, according to a statement issued by the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

### Six Inches of Topsoil.

"A century and a half ago," says the statement, "there was an average of nine inches of topsoil spread over the entire United States. Today this average only six inches in depth.

"The present war emergency, as well as the future of American agriculture itself calls for a determined fight against the forces of soil depletion. The effectiveness of the individual farmer's soil management plan in wartime as well as in the peace era to follow, can be aided by the cooperation of the scientists at state agricultural colleges and experiment stations. Through research and experimentation over a long span of years, these experts have developed information concerning fertilizer needs for various crops and soils that is helpful to the farmer who is striving to rebuild his soil's productivity."

In combating the destructive effects of erosion, individual farmers and organized agriculture are confronted by a stealthy, fifth-column enemy. Erosion's damage is gradual and in the first stages, barely noticeable. But once it gains headway, winds and rains not only carry away valuable topsoil, but also remove needed fertilizing elements such as nitrogen, phosphorus and potash.

Conservation methods are the surest means of reducing these losses of valuable topsoil and plant nutrients. It has been found that soils having a cover crop suffer only a fraction of the losses from erosion that other farm areas experience. Not only will grasses and legumes provide effective vegetative cover for holding topsoil in place and furnish a balanced ration for farm animals, but they promote nitrogen fixation, improve the soil tilth and help increase crop yields following in the rotation. This is particularly true where adequate fertilization is undertaken.

### Bonds Will Provide Funds.

Fortunately the means for accomplishing this soil replenishment job are in the hands of virtually every American farmer. Dollars invested in war bonds now that farm cash income is at the highest level in history and farm debt at the lowest point in many years, can provide the ready cash to pay for the purchase of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash needed to restore the fertility level of farms later on.

"It is not too early to begin planning for this agricultural reconstruction job, any more than it is premature at present to lay plans for future political and economic peace," is a statement the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee concludes. "For it is becoming increasingly clear that the whole structure of future security will rest on the productivity of the soil. While every encouragement will be given to soil rebuilding projects by the federal government and by state agricultural agencies, the major responsibility for getting the job done will rest on the shoulders of individual farmers. By earmarking part of present war bond purchases now for peacetime soil rebuilding expenditures, farmers can be ready when the materials and manpower become readily available in the postwar era."

## Ammonium Nitrate Will Boost Yield of Hay Or Brings Pasture to Grazing Stage Earlier

The use of nitrogen as a means of increasing vitally needed hay and pasture production to meet wartime feed requirements, was recommended by Dr. D. H. Dodd of the Ohio State university.

Summarizing the results of a series of experiments, Dr. Dodd declared that:

1. Sixty pounds of nitrogen, equivalent to 175 pounds per acre of ammonium nitrate applied to a good sod of timothy or other hay-type grass by April 1, will on the average produce an extra ton of 6 to 9 per cent protein hay if cut at the proper early stages.

2. A similar application of nitrogen applied to a good grass pasture sod will bring the herbage to the grazing stage two to three weeks earlier than without the nitrogen. By the time untreated pasture is making sufficient growth to carry its normal load, the nitrogen-treated grass will have exceeded it by 700 to 1,800 pounds of herbage containing 175 to 250 pounds of protein per acre, figured on a dry basis.

3. The inclusion of 20 to 30 pounds of nitrogen with phosphorus or phosphorus and potash in a first treatment for general pasture improvement, may be expected to increase the returns the first year by 50 to 75 per cent instead of 25 per cent, which is a reasonable expectation for the first year for the mineral without nitrogen.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**LEGISLATION:** To discourage governmental agencies from issuing directives that do not express the intentions of congress, Rep. Wolcott of Michigan suggested at a committee meeting that hereafter all acts when passed have this footnote added: "By God, we mean it!" He also proposed that all legislation be written in words of one or two syllables.

**JET PLANES:** An article in the official publication "Air Forces" states that the new jet-propelled planes can travel at least a hundred miles faster than the present propeller-driven planes. This is because air becomes compressible at speeds of 450 miles per hour, and the effect becomes apparent on the propeller. The jet-driven plane is not bothered by this phenomenon.


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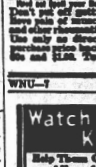
Under affliction we should seek not merely to be supported, but to be sanctified by it.—O. S. Marden.

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Your kidneys are constantly filtering waste material from the blood stream. But when disorder of kidney function permits poisonous matter to remain in your blood, it may cause nagging backache, headache, dizziness, getting up nights, leg pains, swelling—and you may feel tired, nervous, discouraged, all worn out. Then, if poisonous kidney waste is not relieved, you may suffer from Kidney Functional Disorders or Kidney Infection.

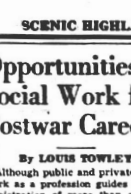
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# Washington Digest

## Agricultural Readjustment Seen as Postwar 'Must'

### Farmer-Educator Stresses Need for More Efficient Farming, More Attractive Life In Order to Maintain Production.



By BAUKHAGE
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Ever since the beginning of the year, Washington has realized that one of the most important problems before it is demobilization.

It isn't a future problem. It's here.

Nearly a million and a quarter men have already been discharged from the army and navy since Pearl Harbor. More than 80,000 were physically "disabled," but excepting the severely wounded, most of these can be absorbed into civilian activities.

Reconversion of our economic and social structure is beginning.

Two weeks ago, I discussed at some length in this column, the George report on reconversion. Since then has come the Baruch report on the same subject, which was rapidly followed by executive action. It looked as if congress and the White House were in a race to see who would be first to start the colossal job.

While attention is being centered on readjustment of industry, less attention has been paid publicity to the necessary readjustments in agriculture which must come. Because many starving peoples will have to be fed for some two years after the war is over, the demand on the farmers for production of food and textiles should continue on somewhat the same basis as at present. But adjustments will have to be made whether or not this high rate of production is maintained because any changes in our economic life are bound to affect the farmers.

One of the most important recent contributions to this planning for the adjustment of agriculture has been made by Dr. Murray R. Benedict, a Western farm boy who has become a professor of agriculture in the University of California. He points out in a very thorough study of "Farm People and the Land After the War," released by the National Planning association, that if we want our people to be adequately and suitably fed, and if we want our farmers and farm workers to be satisfied, farming will have to be made more efficient and farm life more attractive both as a business and as a way of life.

### *Political Reaction*

Unfortunately, there is a great danger that such efforts will be frustrated owing to the very natural political reaction of a democratic country, long under federal regulation which is necessary in wartime. Once peace returns, a free people is anxious to throw out its chest and start off lustily, paddling its own canoe again.

It must be remembered that up until 1870, the condition of agriculture shaped the entire anatomy of the American body—economic, political—social. After 1870, industry developed to the point where it became the tail that wagged the agricultural dog.

Since 1870, the percentage of the population engaged in nonagricultural activities has remained either about stable or has shown a slight increase. The farm population showed a decrease until now when it has become fairly stabilized at about 30 million.

It would be possible, provided certain definite steps were taken, either to increase the number of paying farm jobs or to achieve greater production with a fewer number of workers, so that we could have more or less farmers, according to production needs and still make it remunerative to all.

According to Dr. Benedict, the normal birth rate keeps the farm population just about stable unless sharp shifts to and from the farm are made. The shifts do come and they throw the whole farm picture out of kilter. This is where the tail wagging the dog comes in, for in time of depression, of course, industrial workers seek livelihood on the farm and, therefore, have a tendency to glut the market—in time of boom, the farm boy deserts the fields for the cities and the better-paying jobs.

### *Four Major Factors*

There are four factors which can take up or let out the slack:

(1) A larger demand for farm products at home or abroad.

(2) Decreasing the output per man in agriculture operations—cutting down its hours or doing away with some of the mechanization.

(3) Development of greater self-sufficiency on the part of the farmers themselves.

(4) Something we would hardly want to see! Immigration to less developed countries, except, of course, in the case of places like Alaska, where there is a need of settlers.

Another danger which besets the farmer and which regional planning would avert is the sense of insecurity on the part of the farm people, due to the tendency toward tenant operation of farms under short-time leases, which naturally leads to inefficient farming, bad living conditions, lack of continuity.

Then, of course, there is the ancient bugbear of one-crop farming, partly inherited from slavery days and particularly noticeable in cotton agriculture. Another factor is the wage labor situation in particular localities (also a heritage of another day) which results in poor living conditions and unproductive and unsatisfactory work. Other disturbing factors are the use of submarginal lands or unsuitably located farms and then, of course, the problem of the exhaustion of resources with the counter-measure of conservation.

It is pointed out that the situation which met the pioneer in America resulted in certain definite tendencies and traditions affecting the American attitude toward agriculture. These pioneer conditions, of course, ceased when there were no more good, new lands which could be opened up. But their effect lives on and has affected land policies ever since.

Dr. Benedict lays great stress on the fact that land policies which were well suited to the pioneer do not fit in at all with our modern economy and he emphasizes not only the need of altering the tenant-farmer situation. In the old days a man, if conditions were unsatisfactory, could pack his family and belongings in a covered wagon, cross the range and stake out a fresh claim for himself. Now, if he has no place of his own, he has to work on someone else's terms and like it.

"The past two decades have brought clearly into view," says Dr. Benedict, ". . . the insecurity and destructiveness of the American system of tenancy, the rapid deterioration of soils, and the increasing difficulty with which able young farmers can become established on the land."

### *Three Improvements*

He believes that wise legislation could be put into action and three important improvements could be brought about:

(1) Powerful incentive for the tenant to conserve the soil since he would reap the benefits.

(2) Much more careful selection of tenants, since removal of poor tenants would be more difficult.

(3) Improved community status of those tenants who become established under arrangements of this kind.

Such is a brief summary of the goals studied in typical research now being done for the benefit of the farmer.

Unfortunately, however, as I said earlier, politics is bound to play a powerful role in the effort to secure any "wise legislation" and, with selfish interests, will make up the chief obstacle.

Circumstances will force action in regard to the reconversion and adjustment of industry in the present session of congress but it would be an optimist indeed who would predict that constructive farm legislation could be carried out in an election year. The farm lobby is one of the most powerful in congress but unfortunately pressure exerted by it frequently fails to have for its objective the general good of the country. Proponents of certain measures may be really honest in expressing the wish of their particular constituents but the farm problem in America is so closely interwoven with every phase of our life, social as well as economic, that to envision it properly one must consider the welfare of the entire nation, not the special interests of any one particular locality.

# Opportunities in Social Work for Postwar Careers

By LOUIS TOWLEY

Although public and private social work as a profession guides the administration of more than one-fifth of normal peacetime governmental expenditures, and large sums of privately contributed money, the field of social work is seriously in need of additional competent personnel, according to executives in both public and private social agencies.

While social work plays an important part in the organization of American society, surprisingly little is known about the profession and the job it does. Perhaps this is because social work is so busy that it doesn't have much time to promote itself and make itself understood by the very people it is helping. Another reason is that social workers don't get rich doing their job. The salary for beginners in most fields of social work ranges from $1,200 to $1,600 per year. The experienced worker gets from $1,800 to $2,700 a year and a few specially qualified people from $3,000 to $5,000. A few salaries go even higher.

The profession gives its workers a comfortable living with plenty of chance for advancement and a great deal of responsibility. It has a worthwhile place in society because the job is creative and it carries the satisfaction of creative work.

Most people are able to solve their own problems alone, with the help of relatives, friends, teachers, pastors. But with the increasing complexity of society, problems multiply and people become more interdependent.

Social work is a delicate adjustment of human relationships and it requires a great deal of tact and ability to do the job well. Workers must be emotionally stable, even and level in temperament, warmly imaginative, intellectually keen and honest, courageous in the face of discouragement, tolerant of human failings, and objectively analytical without being too coldly scientific.

### Rural Workers Needed.

It has never been very easy to find people who meet such qualifications, but it becomes even more difficult with the widespread and tremendous new demands. The last 10 years have seen the outreach of public welfare agencies into every county of the 48 states. Social work as a profession began in large cities. Only during the past few years has it spread into rural areas with the development of the Social Security program.

State departments of public welfare, private social agencies and various foundations, the American Association of Medical Social Workers, and similar associations of psychiatric social workers, schools of social work, and group workers are all seeking recruits for the many positions now open.

A long history of private support and public interest makes available to social work students a large number of scholarships, fellowships, and other means of support while getting the necessary training. These scholarships and other means of student aid are available in each of more than two-score colleges and universities offering accredited and approved courses in social work.

### Three Educational Levels.

Education for the profession is on three levels: first, undergraduate study, which includes social sciences and some background courses dealing directly or indirectly with human relationships, psychology, and the field of social work in general; second, one year of graduate social work study which includes technical theory courses and social work and field work practice; third, a second year of graduate study devoted to specialization in a particular field of social work, advanced field work practice and research. The undergraduate level of study prepares for the beginning positions in social work usually in rural public agencies. Further training at the graduate level opens wider professional opportunities and facilitates advancement in the profession with consequent higher salaries.

Many different types of jobs are open to the social worker. They include child welfare, family welfare, public assistance, group work (as in settlement houses), administration, research, counselling (now opening up in many industries and large stores or factories), and many jobs in personnel work. Social case work is a basic skill used in all these different kinds of specialization.

The field is open to both men and women. Many jobs are today available for the person who has two or more years of college. Better jobs are available for the college graduate and the person with some graduate study or experience in an allied field. The full possibilities of the profession are open and will continue to be open to the young man or young woman of today who sets forth in college to prepare for social work and its full training.

# America In Action

### WAR DOGS WILL BE DISCHARGED IN PREWAR STATE OF DOCILITY

"Bowser" will trot home from war, when the time comes, in his prewar state of docility and with an honorable discharge certificate similar to that issued his khaki clad master, the war department has announced.

To assure the return of all K-9 Corps War Dogs to civilian life in the proper frame of mind and assure their welcome as members of communities from which they "enlisted," a "reprocessing" routine has been made an important part of the discharge procedure.

The routine is the exact opposite of that followed to fit the dogs for war service. They are petted and become friendly with all the men on a post, rather than the few to whom they were officially detailed in the performance of combat or other duties. They quickly become readjusted, the announcement said.

Dogs also are given a thorough physical examination before being sent home, and thus are not only in excellent condition but are assured to retain the rudiments of their military training, are better equipped to be family pets than ever.

Upon leaving active war duty for any reason, the canine warrior receives a certificate reading: "The War Dog 'Bowser,' Tattoo No. 000, having served with the Armed Forces of the United States of America, is hereby awarded this certificate of faithful service and honorable discharge." The dog also is given a service record.

Just as a number of soldiers are honorably discharged each month, the K-9 Corps is releasing certain of its numbers from time to time. This does not mean, however, that the K-9 Corps is being disbanded, according to the office of the quartermaster general, through which dogs for all armed services are recruited, any more than the discharge of soldiers means the army is being demobilized.

The occasional release of War Dogs is due to changing conditions which alter needs for various types of animals. For example, blackout regulations in some cases now permit the lighting of industrial plants where dogs had served as sentries. A large percentage of the dogs thus released can be adapted to other tactical needs, but some do not take readily to new duties, and these are being discharged.

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# Bed Without Springs



**A wise soldier, Pfc. James Morgan of the marines relaxes when he can. During a lull in the firing at Bougainville island, he snatched a cat nap, stretched on a pile of 155 mm. cartridges.**

# "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

*By NANCY PEPPER*

### SCARF SNOOD



Are you hep to the newest way of wearing your head 'kerchief? Start with a large square and draw two ends under your hair until they meet on top in a knot. Then take the two ends that are hanging down and tie them over your hair to make a loose, becoming snood. Do you dig me, or don't you? The picture talks louder —and more clearly—than words. Incidentally, this is the way the prettiest models in New York are wearing their 'kerchiefs. We see 'em every day, coming in and out of the Conover model agency (home of the Cover girl) in our building so we ought to know!

### MISCELLANY

**BEAUX TIES**—The next time your O.A.O. takes you to a picnic or juke box gathering, have him wear a bow tie to match your dress or pinafore. You can make one out of leftover scraps, and, if he's really proud to be your Flutterbump, he'll want you to wear it for all to see.

**SALT AND PEPPER SHAKERS**—Surprising, isn't it, but lots of girls save them. They look kind'a cute on your bric-a-brac shelves. The dime store is a happy hunting ground.

**PICTURES OF WAR HEROES**—We've seen some marvelous scrapbooks of War Hero pictures clipped from newspapers and magazines. Think how interesting this collection will be in years to come.

**MOVIE ACTORS IN THE SERVICE**—Here's a new kind of movie-star picture collection—only pictures of stars in uniform. Hollywood is making a good showing in this war, they'll have no trouble in building up a big collection in no time.

**BRIDAL PICTURES** — Here's something to moon over—a collection of beautiful bride pictures, to which we hope you'll add your own some day!

**DOG PICTURES**—Not only pictures, but articles and stories about dogs and miniature dogs for your bric-a-brac shelves, too. When you see that new MGM movie, "Lassie Comes Home," you will probably be sending to Hollywood for autographed photos of Lassie, its canine star.

### *TRIXIE TEEN SAYS*

*Don't experiment with new make-up when you're going out on a big date. That powder base may give you a peaches-and-cream look when you first put it on, but do you know what it will do after you've cut a rug or two? And the new purplish lipstick looks lush under your bedroom light, but it may give you a Frankenstein pallor under the Juke Joint's glare. That new hair goo certainly slicks your hair into a shine, but who wants to look like a well-oiled patent leather bag as the evening wears on? No, make your beauty experiments on your night in—and you'll probably have more nights out.*

# What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



It is so important to have a pleasing voice. Without it, the most fashionable and smartly turned out woman loses her charm. With it she is especially attractive, even though she is not dressed in the height of fashion.

A harsh strident voice can be changed with a little effort.

Practice speaking aloud in the privacy of your room. Listen (as the radio announcers do) to your own voice by cupping your hand around your ear. Rehearse the voice you want, by reading aloud until it becomes natural to you. Listen to others and correct your speech through their errors. While you improve your voice you can also change your enunciation and inflection.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# Champ in War Paint



**Former Bantamweight Champion Sixto Escobar, now a private in the Panama mobile service, is having his camouflage paint smeared on by Private Raymond Walczak. They are training for jungle fighting.**

# U. S. Sends Fish Eggs To Peru for 'Planting'

More than a half million fish eggs have been sent by air transport from the United States to Peru.

The shipment included 500,000 whitefish eggs from the Great Lakes, and "many thousands of" lake trout eggs from Michigan" which will be planted in Lake Titicaca, Peru, as a gift to the Peruvian government.

Extensive experiments were conducted on the shipment to learn how imported fish species would "get along" with native fish in the world's highest navigable lake.

# Strategic Location of Cassino Has Been Cause of Its Destruction in Other Wars

Cassino, on the Allied road to Rome, holds a strategic position that has brought about its destruction in previous wars, says the National Geographic society. The town is about 85 miles from Rome by rail.

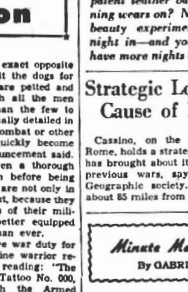
It is situated in the fertile valley of the Rapido, a few miles above its junction with the Liri, and developed as the market for the surrounding area. On market days in peacetime the public square becomes a gay fashion show of varied costumes. Many farm folk still carry their produce to market in open baskets balanced on their heads.

This area was the site of Casinum, which came under Roman rule in 312 B. C. Hannibal was impressed with its strategic value. It flourished under the Roman empire, but suffered from the barbaric hordes that ravaged Italy. The town was sacked and burned by the Lombards, and again by the Saracens. Earthquake damage was severe.

Outside the town are ruins of a Roman amphitheater. Near by ran the Via Latina, the easterly of two ancient roads from Rome to Naples. Across the river was the villa in which Mark Antony's orgies brought the thunders of Cicero. Until a few weeks ago the monastery of Monte Cassino stood on a hillside a thousand feet above Cassino. This ancient building had to be destroyed by Allied shells and bombs because the Germans had converted it into a fort, in violation of promises to the pope. It was established in 529 by St. Benedict, founder of the Benedictine order. Built into the great structure were some of the finest examples of Italian art in marble, bronze and mosaic. The library contained hundreds of ancient manuscripts, and some of the earliest printed books.

# *Minute Make-Ups*

By GABRIELLE



Your Service Man home on an unexpected furlough? Quick, no matter how tired you are! A Minute Mask of vanishing cream. Remove it with tissues. Make up. The skin will be soft and fragrant. Cream rouge. Powder: patted on, brushed off. A scarlet mouth for Beauty and a smile for Welcome! And have a good time.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# Canneries Will Need Half-Million Workers

WASHINGTON.—Food production requirements in 1944 will necessitate recruiting an army of 500,000 cannery workers in 25 fruit and vegetable processing states, Paul V. McNutt, director of the War Manpower commission, said recently.

Canned food quotas are larger this year than in 1943, McNutt said.

# TELEFACT




RISE IN INCOME IN WORLD WAR II

# Gen. Roosevelt's Jeep Shot Out From Under Him

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN ITALY. — Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, American liaison officer with the French army, had a jeep shot out from under him. A high explosive shell landed a few yards away and several shell fragments penetrated the radiator of the jeep, "the Rough Rider." No one was hurt. Roosevelt and his driver proceeded after patching the radiator up.

# BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

Man representing the War Manpower commission and the war department have been surveying areas of labor shortage where prisoners of war may be used effectively in farming and industry.

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About one million men have been made available for duty by U. S. selective service, according to the war department.

Increased imports of coffee and cocoa from Brazil and other American republics now assure a larger quota of these products for U. S. civilians in 1944.

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About 118 cups of tea per person—more than in 1943—will be available for U. S. civilians this year if shipping conditions permit, according to the War Food administration.


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### 60 Bombers Lost

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### Tone Your Voice

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# Folks You Know . .

George Assimopolos of Jacksonville visited friends here this week.

Mrs. Katherine Moore of Chicago, is having a two week's visit with her mother, Mrs. May Walden.

Miss Sue Pettit of Haines City is the attractive house guest for the week end of Miss Barbara Lawhon.

Mrs. C. D. Noland left Friday for Fort Lauderdale to visit her son, Forrest Noland and family at their home there.

James King of Bowling Green is spending the week end in Avon Park, the guest of Edward Johns.

Mrs. R. C. Jarrett and daughter, Miss Helen Jarrett and Mrs. Walter S. Martin spent Thursday in Lakeland.

Mrs. Rex Reed is convalescing nicely at a Tampa Hospital, after undergoing a major operation there Monday night, many friends will be gratified to learn. Mr. Reed and their daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers and Aliene, and Mrs. J. O. Bridges accompanied her to Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Johns and little son, Eddie Bruce of Jacksonville, are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. L. E. Morgan.

Miss Dot Roberts of Sarasota spent the past week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts.

Joe Lander and his son, Joe Allen returned to their home in Panama City Tuesday after visiting relatives here for several days.

Mrs. T. S. Dandridge of Leesburg and Mrs. H. C. Peacock of Bainbridge, Ga., spent last week end with their son and brother, S. C. Dandridge and family.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dandridge had as their guests last week, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Dandridge and baby son, Teddy of Little Creek, Va. Mr. T. Dandridge is specialist athletic trainer in the Navy.

Miss Dorothy Lawhon, Pfc. Paul Zylstra, Miss Gaile Coen and Mrs. Stilwell were in Tampa Sunday evening, where Pfc. Zylstra played a violin solo at the services at the First Baptist Church. Miss Lawhon accompanied him at the piano. The group remained after the church services for the Fellowship hour.

Lt. Ralph Bradshaw of Harris Neck Air Base, near Townsend, Ga., visited his aunt, Mrs. Hayes Maxwell and family here on Tuesday. Lt. Bradshaw is a pilot instructor on a P-40 pursuit ship.

A. B. Sircom, who with Mrs. Sircom has been here visiting her mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass and other relatives for the past two weeks, has returned to his home in New York. Mrs. Sircom has gone to St. Petersburg, where she will spend several weeks.

Mrs. H. W. Johnson and son, Jimmie, who have been residing in Avon Park, left this week for Hatboro, Pa., to visit relatives. They made their home here, while Lt. Johnson was stationed at the Avon Park Army Air Field. He has recently been transferred to another location.

J. Paul Garber returned home last Sunday from a short business trip to Washington, D. C. Mrs. Garber, who accompanied him, is spending a few days with relatives and will return home this week end.

Mrs. W. F. Maher and daughter, Debbie Sue left Saturday to spend several weeks with Mrs. Mary Maher and family at their home in Bronxville, New York. Mrs. Maher is the mother of the late Mr. Maher.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Howard and son, Roger have returned to their home in Winston Salem, N. C., after spending several weeks here with Mrs. Howard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Godwin.

Miss Martha Jeuther, who recently underwent an operation in a Tampa hospital, was able to return home Wednesday, friends will be pleased to learn. Miss Margaretha Vogt and Mrs. I. D. Kelly went to Tampa, and she accompanied them home that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert A. Stebbins left Thursday for Jacksonville, after spending several days here with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stebbins and family, and in Lake Placid with his sister, Mrs. Earl Boneman and family. Mr. Stebbins, who is with the Merchant Marines, expects to be called back to active duty in the near future. Mrs. Stebbins will remain in Jacksonville, where she holds a secretarial position.

Mrs. W. D. Cameron has returned home from Lakeland, where she spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Bond.


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## Church Notes

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION (EPISCOPAL)**
Rev. John Ellis Bailey, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
Emmanuel S. Hodgebath, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This 'is the hour of power).

**CHURCH OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMON)**
Branch organizations are established and regular Sunday services are held each week at the following places of worship:
Bradenton: Odd Fellow's Hall.
Fort Myers: Edison College Building.
Belle Glade: Women's Club.
Fort Pierce: Women's Club.
Chapels:
Miami:
Fort Lauderdale:
West Palm Beach:
For further information write Elder H. C. Cunningham, Box 949, Miami, Fla.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday, Bible study, 8:00 P. M. by Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.: Sermon topic: "The Kingdom At Hand."
Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.: Sermon topic: "Pilate."
Wednesday 8:00 P. M., Midweek service.

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.
Subject Sunday morning — "Singing."
Subject Sunday night — The Other Side."

**CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**
"MATTER" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, March 19.
The Golden Text is: "Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the Lord your God" (Leviticus 19:4).
Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Thus saith the Lord the King of Is-ra-el, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told ye from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any" (Isa. 44:6, 8).
The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Matter does not express Spirit. God is infinite omnipresent Spirit. If Spirit is all and is everywhere, what and where is matter?" (p. 223:7-9).

**CARD OF THANKS**
We wish to thank the many friends for their expressions of sympathy, and deeds of kindness at the time of our recent bereavement.
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# Clubs and Parties . . .

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## Philathea Class Has St. Patricks Party Tuesday

A delightful event of Tuesday evening, was the Philathea Class party, given at the home of Mrs. Devon Reddick, with Mrs. A. J. Turner and Mrs. Ed Gough, as co-hostesses. The rooms were filled with fragrant pastel shaded blossoms, in suggestion of the approaching spring. The hostesses chose the green and white colors of St. Patricks for the lovely appointments.

The evening was devoted to the enjoyment of a variety of well-planned games, after which delicious refreshments of tuna salad, olives, rits crackers and iced tea were served.

Those attending included Mrs. L. D. Geiger, Mrs. W. J. Wightman Jr., Mrs. N. R. McLeod, Mrs. James Cooper, Mrs. H. A. Walker, Mrs. Harmon Atkins, Mrs. H. H. Shepherd, Mrs. L. D. McGiboney, Mrs. Josephine Johnson, Mrs. William L. Milam, Mrs. Clarence Hubbard, Mrs. Joe Sapp, Mrs. Durrh Martin, Miss Elvie Canup, Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, Mrs. S. G. Patterson, Mrs. R. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Ray Wells, Mrs. Paul A. McFarland, Mrs. M. M. Foster, Miss Gaile Coen, Mrs. E. C. Wever, Mrs. O. C. Wilkes, Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Mrs. Harold Guerndt, Mrs. R. L. Adams, Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., Mrs. Henry T. Wingate, Mrs. J. H. Bishop, Mrs. Julius Blake, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Miss Glo Wilcox, Mrs. Gough, Mrs. Turner, and Mrs. Reddick.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Aitchison left this week for Grimsby, Ontario, Canada, after spending the winter season at their home here.

## Student Council Has Business Meeting Wednesday

The Student Council met Wednesday, March 15. Walter Martin, president, presided.

The home room beautification committee has awarded the prizes for the last six weeks period. Those winning the prizes were, Mrs. Boardman's section of the sixth grade; Mrs Singletary's section of the eigth grade and Mrs. Pearson's section of the tenth.

The students are asked to turn in the names of the pupils who are in the service. Those that have been turned in were announced.

It was suggested that the school have a "Students Day". It hasn't been passed by the Council yet.

Madge Pilcher, treasurer, reported the council has around $39.00 in its treasury.

—Reporter.

## Covenant Circle Met Wednesday

The Covenant Circle met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss J. E. Coe, with Mrs. Rulison, co-hostess. Twenty-eight members and visitors responded to roll call.

The reports of delegates to the Chain of Missions at Winter Haven and Winter Park were read, and the "Woman's Gift" was presented in small boxes, which had been given out for the purpose. This part of the program was in charge of Rev. E. S. Hedgebeth, and the amount of $28.00 was reported. The devotions and presentation of the "Woman's Gift" was led by Mrs. Hedgebeth.

During the social hour, the hostesses served dainty assorted home made cookies and coffee.

## Jane Maxwell Has Birthday Party Saturday Afternoon

Bertha Jane Maxwell, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Maxwell celebrated her seventh birthday anniversary with a lovely party on Saturday afternoon. The group assembled at the Park Theatre, where they enjoyed the current feature, after which they were taken out to the Maxwell home for the remainder of the festivities.

The lace covered dining table, was daintily appointed in a yellow and lavender motif. Seven yellow candles, each attached to a small lavender blossom topped the beautiful decorated birthday cake, that formed the centerpiece for the table. An arrangement of yellow flowers surrounded the cake, flowers surrounded the cake. Places for each young guest were marked with name cards held by a single flower gracing a candy favor. The delicious refreshments consisted of ice cream, generous slices of the birthday cake, and salted nuts.

Jane was the recipient of many gifts from her friends sharing the happiness of the occasion with her who were Edith Hagan, Judy Campbell, Camille Rowe, Evelyn Farr, Joan Herring, Arline Sargent, Juanita Morrell, Catherine Struck, Patricia Pollock, Peggy Martin, Gloria and Patricia Sheffield and Joy Lou Ragsdale.

### FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Park left Friday for Bradenton to visit their daughter, Mrs. Clyde Nanny and family. Another daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Good of Atlanta will arrive to spend the week end with her sister and parents. The week end will mark two special events, the celebration of Mrs. Park's 75th birthday anniversary, and as a sort of farewell to Mrs. Good, who is going to Dallas, Texas next week to make her home. Mrs. Cood has been secretary to Dr. W. H. Elliott, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, who has accepted a call to a larger pastorate at Dallas. She is accompanying him to his new charge to continue in her secretarial capacity.

To complete a family reunion, others, who will spend Sunday at the Nanny home are Mr. and Mrs Eliott Park and two children, to make eleven members of the family present on this pleasant occasion. The entire family has not been together since Mr. Park's 75th birthday celebration seven years ago. Mrs. Eva Nesbitt, of Avon Park, a cousin of Mr. Park has a picture of the Park family reunion held in Marion Center, Pa., in 1886, when there were 150 members of the family in attendance. The Parks have taken the picture to this reunion, so the younger generation may see it.

Mr. and Mrs. Park will remain for a several day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Nanny and family.

## Sadlers Entertain at Birthday Dinner Honoring Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Sadler entertained at a birthday dinner on Sunday in honor of their daughter Mrs. Orville Crews of Lake Wales. Those enjoyed the delicious dinner, prepared by Mrs. Sadler were Mr. and Mrs. Crews and young son, Bennie Ray, Misses Debbie, Letha, and Eva Talbert, Miss Eloise Faircloth, Sgt. and Mrs. John Blitzer, and Mr. and Mrs. Sadler and daughter, Dawn.

## Enjoyable Party at Crosby Home Monday Evening

Pfc. and Mrs. Roy Bistline were the honor guests at a most delightful party, given by a group of friends at the home of Mrs. J. E. Crosby on Tulane Circle on Monday evening. The affair came as a complete surprise to the couple, and was in the nature of a farewell party as they were leaving Wednesday for a visit to their home in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Bistline, who will remain with relatives in Philadelphia, when Pfc. Bistline returns to Avon Park at the termination of his furlough, was the recipient of a shower of beautiful gifts from their friends, the attractively wrapped packages being tied with pink and blue ribbons.

Cards and games were enjoyed throughout the evening, and later, tempting refreshments of cake, hot chocolate and coffee were served.

Friends sharing the party with Pfc. and Mrs. Bistline were Pfc. and Mrs. Robert J. Pletka, Pfc. and Mrs. James W. Riley, Pfc. and Mrs. E. A. Blanchard, Sgt. and Mrs. R. L. Corso, Miss Naomi Dixon, Cpl. Charles Schiebel, Mrs. Harold Davis, Miss Delores Crosby, and Mrs. Crosby.

## Ozie Sapp is Honor Guest at Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Cissel of Washington, D. C., who are visiting in Avon Park, gave a birthday party last Thursday at the Jacaranda Hotel in honor of Ozie Sapp. The birthday cake was beautifully decorated.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Sapp, Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Heron Bovard, Mr. and Mrs. Hope Elder, and Mr. and Mrs. Cissel.

## Births

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seims are announcing the arrival of a baby son, weighing six pounds and twelve ounces, who arrived at a Lake Wales hospital, Saturday, March 11. The young man has been named Jack Roy.

Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Black announce the arrival of a baby son, weighing nine pounds and three ounces, who arrived at a hospital in Booneville, Miss., Wednesday, March 15. The baby has been named Vanderbilt P. Black Jr. Mrs. Black is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Tennison in Booneville. Mr. Black is pastor of the Church of Christ in Avon Park. He expects to leave next week to visit his wife and new son.

C. A. Straubel and William Bitterick of Green Bay, Wis., are spending some time at the former's home on Lake Lotela.

### THANKS FRIENDS

Willie Jewel Beasley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Beasley, suffered an injury to her knee on the basketball court at school, a few days ago, and according to her attending physician, her condition is improving. Miss Beasley is deeply appreciative of the many kindnesses extended by her friends, while she has been confined to her home, and especially thanks them for the gifts and flowers. Relatives from Winter Haven and Pensacola have also visited her this week.

### FISH FRY

Hope Elder and C. P. Cissel were hosts at a fish fry on the shores of Lake Isis Thursday evening. Those enjoying the affair were Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Mrs. Lizzie Edward of Macon, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. H. Bovard, Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Ozie Sapp, Alton Elder, C. P. Cissel, and Hope Elder.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. H. W. Kearns left Friday for her home in Vinton, Iowa, after spending the winter season here with her sisters, Mrs. Katherine Bristol and Mrs. C. A. Clark.

Mrs. Roscoe Bass and young son, Tom returned this week to their home in Okeechobee, after visiting Mrs. Bass's sister-in-law, Mrs. C. Parke Anderson and family, and other relatives here.

Mrs. Robert B. Hudson and young daughter, Anne, will arrive Saturday from Montgomery, Ala., to make their home for the duration with the former's mother, Mrs. Chas. Clements. Mrs. Hudson was formerly Miss Jane Clements. Mrs. Hudson and baby have been visiting Captain Hudson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blake Hudson in Montgomery. Capt. Hudson is now in England serving with his chemical warfare outfit.

S. S. Thayer spent Sunday in Lakeland, where he joined Mrs. Thayer and their two children, Thomas and Tirzah, who were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson. Mrs. Thayer's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Flemion and son, Phillip of Findlay, Ohio were also the guests of the Pattersons, and young Phillip accompanied the Thayer family home for a week's visit. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Flemion will come over Sunday for the day.

### SHOW AT SARASOTA MARCH 26

The dress rehearsal show of the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus will be held at Sarasota, Sunday, March 26. Two performances will be given, one at 3:00 P. M., and the evening show at 8:15. The show will be the same show that will open in New York, and will be given at the winters of the show in Sarasota. For further information, contact the local Chamber of Commerce.

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# NOTICE

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# Folks You Know . .

George Assimopolos of Jacksonville visited friends here this week.

Mrs. Katherine Moore of Chicago, is having a two week's visit with her mother, Mrs. May Walden.

Miss Sue Pettit of Haines City is the attractive house guest for the week end of Miss Barbara Lawhon.

Mrs. C. D. Noland left Friday for Fort Lauderdale to visit her son, Forrest Noland and family at their home there.

James King of Bowling Green is spending the week end in Avon Park, the guest of Edward Johns.

Mrs. R. C. Jarrett and daughter, Miss Helen Jarrett and Mrs. Walter S. Martin spent Thursday in Lakeland.

Mrs. Rex Reed is convalescing nicely at a Tampa Hospital, after undergoing a major operation there Monday night, many friends will be gratified to learn. Mr. Reed and their daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers and Allene, and Mrs. J. O. Bridges accompanied her to Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Johns and little son, Eddie Bruce of Jacksonville, are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. L. E. Morgan.

Miss Dot Roberts of Sarasota spent the past week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts.

Joe Lander and his son, Joe Allen returned to their home in Panama City Tuesday after visiting relatives here for several days.

Mrs. T. S. Dandridge of Leesburg and Mrs. H. C. Peacock of Bainbridge, Ga., spent last week end with their son and brother, S. C. Dandridge and family.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dandridge had as their guests last week, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Dandridge and baby son, Teddy of Little Creek, Va. Mr. T. Dandridge is specialist athletic trainer in the Navy.

Miss Dorothy Lawhon, Pfc. Paul Zylstra, Miss Gaile Coen and Mrs. Stilwell were in Tampa Sunday evening, where Pfc. Zylstra played a violin solo at the services at the First Baptist Church. Miss Lawhon accompanied him at the piano. The group remained after the church services for the Fellowship hour.

Lt. Ralph Bradshaw of Harris Noch Air Base, near Townsend, Ga., visited his aunt, Mrs. Hayes Maxwell and family here on Tuesday. Lt. Bradshaw is a pilot instructor on a P-40 pursuit ship.

A. B. Sircom, who with Mrs. Sircom has been here visiting her mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass and other relatives for the past two weeks, has returned to his home in New York. Mrs. Sircom has gone to St. Petersburg, where she will spend several weeks.

Mrs. H. W. Johnson and son, Jimmie, who have been residing in Avon Park, left this week for Hatboro, Pa., to visit relatives. They made their home here, while Lt. Johnson was stationed at the Avon Park Army Air Field. He has recently been transferred to another location.

J. Paul Garber returned home last Sunday from a short business trip to Washington, D. C. Mrs. Garber, who accompanied him, is spending a few days with relatives and will return home this week end.

Mrs. W. F. Maher and daughter, Debbie Sue left Saturday to spend several weeks with Mrs. Mary Maher and family at their home in Bronxville, New York. Mrs. Maher is the mother of the late Mr. Maher.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Howard and son, Roger have returned to their home in Winston Salem, N. C., after spending several weeks here with Mrs. Howard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Godwin.

Miss Martha Jeuther, who recently underwent an operation in a Tampa hospital, was able to return home Wednesday, friends will be pleased to learn. Miss Margaretha Vogt and Mrs. I. D. Kelly went to Tampa, and she accompanied them home that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert A. Stebbins left Thursday for Jacksonville, after spending several days here with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stebbins and family, and in Lake Placid with his sister, Mrs. Earl Boneman and family. Mr. Stebbins, who is with the Merchant Marines, expects to be called back to active duty in the near future. Mrs. Stebbins will remain in Jacksonville, where she holds a secretarial position.

Mrs. W. D. Cameron has returned home from Lakeland, where she spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Bond.


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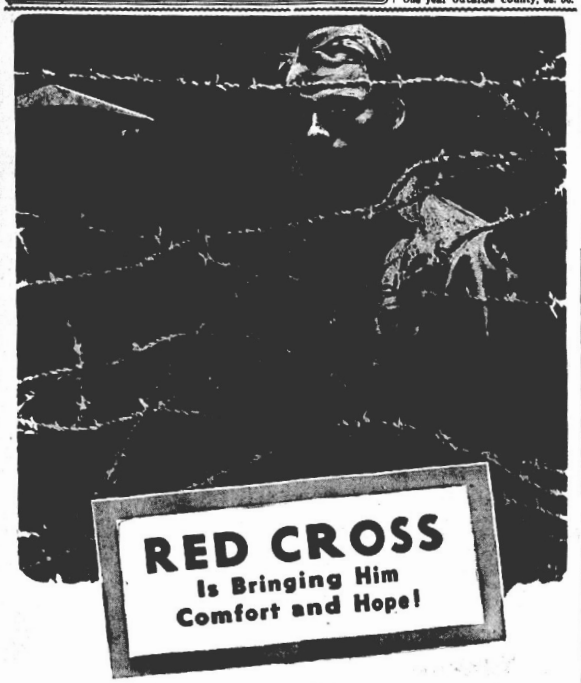


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**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)**
Rev. John Ellis Dubey, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Services 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

**CHURCH OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMON)**
Branch organizations are established and regular Sunday services are held each week at the following places of worship:
Bradenton: Odd Fellow's Hall.
Fort Myers: Edison College Building.
Belle Glade: Women's Club.
Fort Pierce: Women's Club.
Chapels:
Miami:
Fort Lauderdale:
West Palm Beach:
For further information write, Elder H. C. Cunningham, Box 949, Miami, Fla.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday, Bible study, 8:00 P. M. by Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas.

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.: Sermon topic: "The Kingdom At Hand."
Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.: Sermon topic: "Pilate."
Wednesday 8:00 P. M., Midweek service.

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.
Subject Sunday morning — "Singing."
Subject Sunday night — The Other Side."

**CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**
"MATTER" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, March 19.
The Golden Text is: "Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the Lord your God" (Leviticus 19:4).
Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Thus saith the Lord the King of Is-ra-el, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told ye from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any" (Isa. 44:6, 8).
The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Matter does not express Spirit. God is infinite omnipresent Spirit. If Spirit is all and is everywhere, what and where is matter?" (p. 223:7-9).

**CARD OF THANKS**
We wish to thank the many friends for their expressions of sympathy, and deeds of kindness at the time of our recent bereavement.
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# Clubs and Parties . . .

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## Philathea Class Has St. Patricks Party Tuesday

A delightful event of Tuesday evening, was the Philathea Class party, given at the home of Mrs. Devon Reddick, with Mrs. A. J. Turner and Mrs. Ed Gough, as cohostesses. The rooms were filled with fragrant pastel shaded blossoms, in suggestion of the approaching spring. The hostesses chose the green and white colors of St. Patricks for the lovely appointments.

The evening was devoted to the enjoyment of a variety of well-planned games, after which delicious refreshments of tuna salad, olives, rits crackers and iced tea were served.

Those attending included Mrs. L. D. Geiger, Mrs. W. J. Wightman, Jr., Mrs. N. R. McLeod, Mrs. James Cooper, Mrs. H. A. Walker, Mrs. Harmon Atkins, Mrs. H. H. Shepherd, Mrs. L. D. McGiboney, Mrs. Josephine Johnson, Mrs. William L. Milam, Mrs. Clarence Hubbard, Mrs. Joe Sapp, Mrs. Durrh Martin, Miss Elvie Canup, Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, Mrs. S. G. Patterson, Mrs. R. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Ray Wells, Mrs. Paul A. McFarland, Mrs. M. M. Foster, Miss Ouida Coen, Mrs. E. C. Wever, Mrs. O. C. Wilkes, Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Mrs. Harold Guerndt, Mrs. R. L. Adams, Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., Mrs. Henry T. Wingate, Mrs. J. H. Bishop, Mrs. Julius Blake, Mrs. B. F. Martin, Miss Glo Wilcox, Mrs. Gough, Mrs. Turner, and Mrs. Reddick.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Aitchison left this week for Grimsby, Ontario, Canada, after spending the winter season at their home here.

## Student Council Has Business Meeting Wednesday

The Student Council met Wednesday, March 15. Walter Martin, president, presided.

The home room beautification committee has awarded the prizes for the last six weeks period. Those winning the prizes were, Mrs. Boardman's section of the sixth grade; Mrs Singletary's section of the eigth grade and Mrs. Pearson's section of the tenth.

The students are asked to turn in the names of the pupils who are in the service. Those that have been turned in were announced.

It was suggested that the school have a "Students Day". It hasn't been passed by the Council yet.

Madge Pilcher, treasurer, reported the council has around $39.00 in its treasury.

—Reporter.

## Covenant Circle Met Wednesday

The Covenant Circle met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss J. E. Coe, with Mrs. Rulison, cohostess. Twenty-eight members and visitors responded to roll call.

The reports of delegates to the Chain of Missions at Winter Haven and Winter Park were read, and the "Woman's Gift" was presented in small boxes, which had been given out for the purpose. This part of the program was in charge of Rev. E. S. Hedgebeth, and the amount of $28.00 was reported. The devotions and presentation of the "Woman's Gift" was led by Mrs. Hedgebeth.

During the social hour, the hostesses served dainty assorted home made cookies and coffee.

## Jane Maxwell Has Birthday Party Saturday Afternoon

Bertha Jane Maxwell, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Maxwell celebrated her seventh birthday anniversary with a lovely party on Saturday afternoon. The group assembled at the Park Theatre, where they enjoyed the current feature, after which they were taken out to the Maxwell home for the remainder of the festivities.

The late covered dining table, was daintily appointed in a yellow and lavender motif. Seven yellow candles, each attached to a small lavender blossom topped the beautiful decorated birthday cake, that formed the centerpiece for the table. An arrangement of yellow flowers surrounded the cake. flowers surrounded the cake. Places for each young guest were marked with name cards held by a single flower gracing a candy favor. The delicious refreshments consisted of ice cream, generous slices of the birthday cake, and salted nuts.

Jane was the recipient of many gifts from her friends sharing the happiness of the occasion with her who were Edith Hagan, Judy Campbell, Camille Rowe, Evelyn Farr, Joan Herring, Arline Sargent, Juanita Morrell, Catherine Struck, Patricia Pollock, Peggy Martin, Gloria and Patricia Sheffield and Joy Lou Ragsdale.

### FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Park left Friday for Bradenton to visit their daughter, Mrs. Clyde Nanny and family. Another daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Good of Atlanta will arrive to spend the week end with her sister and parents. The week end will mark two special events, the celebration of Mrs. Park's 75th birthday anniversary, and as a sort of farewell to Mrs. Good, who is going to Dallas, Texas next week to make her home. Mrs. Cood has been secretary to Dr. W. H. Elliott, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, who has accepted a call to a larger pastorate at Dallas. She is accompanying him to his new charge to continue in her secretarial capacity.

To complete a family reunion, others, who will spend Sunday at the Nanny home are Mr. and Mrs Elliott Park and two children, to make eleven members of the family present on this pleasant occasion. The entire family has not been together since Mr. Park's 75th birthday celebration seven years ago. Mrs. Eva Nesbitt, of Avon Park, a cousin of Mr. Park has a picture of the Park family reunion held in Marion Center, Pa., in 1886, when there were 150 members of the family in attendance. The Parks have taken the picture to this reunion, so the younger generation may see it.

Mr. and Mrs. Park will remain for a several day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Nanny and family.

## Sadlers Entertain at Birthday Dinner Honoring Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Sadler entertained at a birthday dinner on Sunday in honor of their daughter Mrs. Orville Crews of Lake Wales. Those enjoyed the delicious dinner, prepared by Mrs. Sadler were Mr. and Mrs. Crews and young son, Bennie Ray, Misses Debbie, Letha, and Eva Talbert, Miss Eloise Faircloth, Sgt. and Mrs. John Blitzer, and Mr. and Mrs. Sadler and daughter, Dawn.

## Enjoyable Party at Crosby Home Monday Evening

Pfc. and Mrs. Roy Bistline were the honor guests at a most delightful party, given by a group of friends at the home of Mrs. J. E. Crosby on Tulane Circle on Monday evening. The affair came as a complete surprise to the couple, and was in the nature of a farewell party as they were leaving Wednesday for a visit to their home in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Bistline, who will remain with relatives in Philadelphia, when Pfc. Bistline returns to Avon Park at the termination of his furlough, was the recipient of a shower of beautiful gifts from their friends, the attractively wrapped packages being tied with pink and blue ribbons.

Cards and games were enjoyed throughout the evening, and later, tempting refreshments of cake, hot chocolate and coffee were served.

Friends sharing the party with Pfc. and Mrs. Bistline were Pfc. and Mrs. Robert J. Pletka, Pfc. and Mrs. James W. Riley, Pfc. and Mrs. E. A. Blanchard, Sgt. and Mrs. R. L. Corso, Miss Naomi Dixon, Cpl. Charles Schiebel, Mrs. Harold Davis, Miss Delores Crosby, and Mrs. Crosby.

## Ozie Sapp is Honor Guest at Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Cissel of Washington, D. C., who are visiting in Avon Park, gave a birthday party last Thursday at the Jacaranda Hotel in honor of Ozie Sapp. The birthday cake was beautifully decorated.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Sapp, Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Heron Bovard, Mr. and Mrs. Hope Elder, and Mr. and Mrs. Cissel.

## Births

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seims are announcing the arrival of a baby son, weighing six pounds and twelve ounces, who arrived at a Lake Wales hospital, Saturday, March 11. The young man has been named Jack Roy.

Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Black announce the arrival of a baby son, weighing nine pounds and three ounces, who arrived at a hospital in Booneville, Miss., Wednesday, March 15. The baby has been named Vanderbilt P. Black Jr. Mrs. Black is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Tennison in Booneville. Mr. Black is pastor of the Church of Christ in Avon Park. He expects to leave next week to visit his wife and new son.

C. A. Straubel and William Bötterick of Green Bay, Wis., are spending some time at the former's home on Lake Lotela.

### THANKS FRIENDS

Willie Jewel Beasley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Beasley, suffered an injury to her knee on the basketball court at school, a few days ago, and according to her attending physician, her condition is improving. Miss Beasley is deeply appreciative of the many kindnesses extended by her friends, while she has been confined to her home, and especially thanks them for the gifts and flowers. Relatives from Winter Haven and Pensacola have also visited her this week.

### FISH FRY

Hope Elder and C. P. Cissel were hosts at a fish fry on the shores of Lake Isis Thursday evening. Those enjoying the affair were Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Mrs. Lizzie Edward of Macon, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. H. Bovard, Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Ozie Sapp, Alton Elder, C. P. Cissel, and Hope Elder.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. H. W. Kearns left Friday for her home in Vinton, Iowa, after spending the winter season here with her sisters, Mrs. Katherine Bristol and Mrs. C. A. Clark.

Mrs. Roscoe Bass and young son, Tom returned this week to their home in Okeechobee, after visiting Mrs. Bass's sister-in-law, Mrs. C. Parke Anderson and family, and other relatives here.

Mrs. Robert H. Hudson and young daughter, Anne, will arrive Saturday from Montgomery, Ala., to make their home for the duration with the former's mother, Mrs. Chas. Clements. Mrs. Hudson was formerly Miss Jane Clements. Mrs Hudson and baby have been visiting Captain Hudson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blake Hudson in Montgomery. Capt. Hudson is now in England serving with his chemical warfare outfit.

S. S. Thayer spent Sunday in Lakeland, where he joined Mrs. Thayer and their two children, Thomas and Tirzah, who were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson. Mrs. Thayer's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Flemion and son, Phillip of Findlay, Ohio were also the guests of the Pattersons, and young Phillip accompanied the Thayer family home for a week's visit. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Flemion will come over Sunday for the day.

### SHOW AT SARASOTA MARCH 26

The dress rehearsal show of the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus will be held at Sarasota, Sunday, March 26. Two performances will be given, one at 3:00 P. M., and the evening show at 8:15. The show will be the same show that will open in New York, and will be given at the winters of the show in Sarasota. For further information, contact the local Chamber of Commerce.

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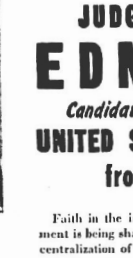
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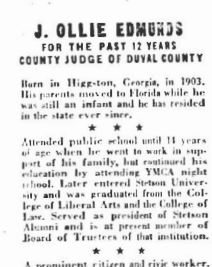
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# BLACK SOMBRERO

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT ~ WNU SERVICE

**Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood artist, is disinherited by her Aunt Kitty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers, professional sleuth, and Barry Madison, an amateur detective, go to Matalan, Mexico, to solve what they believe to be Kitty Chatfield's murder. On arrival, they find that Elsa's party had preceded them by plane. During a fiesta at the ranch of Sam Chatfield (Elsa's father), James Chesebro is murdered. Lombardo, chief of the Mexican police, questions Pedro, the pulque man, after questioning all the guests. They retract the prologue to the death of Chesebro. While this is going on Pedro, the star witness, makes his escape into the mountains.**

## CHAPTER XI

"It's a nice little puzzle so far, Barry," observed Rogers. "We'll not solve it tonight—probably not tomorrow. It can very quickly be solved if Lombardo and his man Friday will catch up with Pedro. Suppose we sleep on it."

We did sleep on it, rocking gently in our staterooms on board the Orizaba anchored in the harbor. In the light of a new day, after a leisurely breakfast with Margaret and Dwight, at which time we spoke softly and with respect for the now murdered James Chesebro, we waited for the launch to take us ashore.

Suddenly Dwight's body stiffened. "Look! Did you see that!" he cried. "Look!"

Before our eyes some hundreds of yards away a huge fish leaped clear of the water and then fell back with a great splash.

"There's your marlin, darling," said Margaret sweetly, "come to play with you."

"Let's go fishing now." Dwight's voice was excited. "Come on, fellows."

"Sorry," said Rogers. "I'd planned some other things—about Chesebro's slayer."

"Well, go on, then; the launch is waiting for you. As soon as it's back I'm going after that fellow. Hunting me up, is he? Wanting to play with me?" said Dwight as Rogers and I went down the ladder.

We landed at the wharf, found one of those ancient two-wheeled aranas like the one Elsa had ridden in that first day, climbed in and set off.

"It's probably like hunting for the needle in the haystack, Barry," he remarked, after an extended conversation with the driver which explored the fellow's acquaintances among the pulque sellers. At first the driver, a sleepy-eyed fellow with a bushy mustache, had not been able to comprehend why we should search for a pulque seller when liquor of many kinds was easily obtainable almost anywhere. When he realized, however, that we were looking for a particular dealer in pulque, he believed that he knew several Pedros. And so we started out.

We stopped at one thatched hut which our driver said was the home of Pedro, the pulque seller. But the man who answered Rogers' summons was fat and small, with a smile that was well nigh irresistible. Did we wish to buy pulque? He indicated a nearby contrivance which was just a frame on wheels with holes for the brown clay jars. No, we did not. We sought Pedro, the pulque seller, who was a thin man with small eyes. He knew such a man farther down the street, and counted the houses for us and bade us a courteous good morning. But the second Pedro was not our pulque man, either.

At last our dispirited horse pulled up with a sigh before a thatched hut near the end of the street.

A small dark woman came to the door when Rogers knocked.

"Does Pedro, the pulque seller, live here, senora?" Rogers inquired in Spanish.

"Yes, sir," the woman replied hesitantly, a frightened look in her deep, dark eyes.

"Is he Pedro, the pulque seller, who last evening went to deliver pulque at the rancho of Senor Chatfield?"

"Yes, sir."

"May we speak with Pedro, senora?" inquired Rogers, smiling.

The woman shook her head vaguely. Finally she said: "He is not at home, sir."

"Where can I find him?"

"He is away, sir."

"When will he return?"

The woman shook her head and did not reply.

"He is away, sir," she repeated.

We were getting nowhere. Rogers suddenly looked up at the little green parrot overhead, held up a forefinger invitingly against the green breast and the parrot promptly climbed on and was lowered to the level of our eyes.

"What is he called, senora?" Rogers asked.

"He is called Pepe, sir."

"He is not a young bird, senora, the yellow patch of feathers on his head is large. It is, like gray hair with us, a sign of age."

"Yes, sir; he is very old."

"Did your husband return home last night from his trip to the rancho of Senor Chatfield?"

"Briefly, sir; and then made haste to depart."

"Did he go far, senora?"

"To the mountains, sir," she replied, with a gesture that indicated the distant range.

"And he will return soon?"

The woman shook her head. "He is away, sir. I do not know when he will return."

A man was lurking inside the house as we talked, just beyond our view. I had heard him and so had Rogers. At last overcome by curiosity he appeared suddenly behind the woman in the doorway. It was not, however, Pedro as I suspected, but a man whose face was familiar. Rogers glanced at him.

"Good morning," he said and smiled. The man returned the greeting hesitantly.

"My brother, Jose," the woman said.

"And did the old dog die, senor?" inquired Rogers. I recognized then the individual who the morning of Elsa's attack on Chesebro was putting to death with chloroform an old dog near the stables.

"Oh, yes, sir. Quickly, as you said he would."

"Senor," began Rogers, "the chloroform—tell me again who gave it to you."

"Senora Chatfield, sir."

"Senora Chatfield?"

"Yes. She of the golden hair—"

Rogers suddenly elevated Pepe to the thatch of the roof where with a flutter of wings and wildly clutching feet he reestablished himself, chattering about to stare down at us with his wicked little eyes and ut-



"What is he called, senora?"

ter a squawk of pleasure. We prepared to take our departure; Rogers bowed and smiled.

"I wish your husband a safe journey, senora, and a speedy return," he said, and we withdrew to our arana, jagged by the still silent children, while the pulque seller's wife stood in the doorway of the hut to observe our departure.

We had jogged along for some distance in the direction of the business district when I remarked, "Some grist for the mill there."

"Yes, Barry. There is confirmation of the conclusion we reached last night. Pedro ran out on us at Sam Chatfield's, hurried home, remained briefly and then fled to the mountains for an indefinite stay. He carried with him the belief that he not only saw the murderer of Chesebro, but can identify him. He fears the consequences if he is made to identify him."

"You're right, of course," I sighed. "But where does that leave us, Hunt?"

"It leaves us with a simple explanation of the crime—when Pedro is captured and returned to Mazatlan. To the jefe del policia, Senor Otilio Lombardo, will fall the honor of solving the murder of Kitty Chatfield, as well as that of Chesebro, when his men bring in Pedro."

"But there's no evidence that the two were done by the same hand."

"No," admitted Rogers, as we drove along the shady streets, "there is no evidence of it; there's only a hunch on my part, and a very, very faint hunch at that. Perhaps no more than a wish that it be so. Simplify things enormously, wouldn't it, Barry?" he said, looking at me with a twinkle in his mild blue eyes. "Let's go and talk with Lombardo and urge upon him our belief, and perhaps spur him on to greater effort in bringing back Pedro." He turned to the driver and said in Spanish: "Senor, take us, please, to the police station."

Rogers asked for Lombardo at a small desk, and the courteous occupant assured us that we should see the jefe at once. But it was some ten minutes before we were shown into a small room where Lombardo sat alone.

"We came," Rogers said slowly, "only to offer what help you think we can give toward the solution of the murder of our friend, James Chesebro."

"That is very kind of you, gentlemen."

"Our opinion, reached after considerable reflection, senor, is that it is vital to capture Pedro, the pulque seller, who fled last night when we were about to require him to identify the slayer."

"Yes, of course," was the laconic response.

"Undoubtedly Pedro knows who the slayer is."

"I believe so, gentlemen."

"We understand that he fled last night to the mountains."

"Ah, so?" Lombardo's eyebrows shot upward. "You know that too?"

"Yes, from the man's wife. You, of course, have questioned her?"

"Of a certainty, senor. Already the order has been given to bring the man back from the mountains."

"It would be helpful, gentlemen," he said carefully, "if you could provide us with additional motives to be put with those we already have when it comes to the trial."

"You—" he began hesitantly. "Is it possible you have reached a decision, senor?"

"We have made the arrest, this morning. The murderer is now in custody, gentlemen. I would appreciate it if you could supply, perhaps, additional motives, although what we have are ample, I am sure."

We both were silent, stunned a little at this announcement of an arrest in the case so early, before even Pedro had been returned to Mazatlan.

"May we ask, senor—" began Rogers.

"Of course," Lombardo replied, his white even teeth showing in a magnificent smile. "I have arrested Senor Reed Barton—"

"Barton!" I exclaimed.

"Yes, Senor Madison. It was not difficult to discover the fact that he is guilty. There was the testimony of Pedro last night; not testimony in so many words, gentlemen, but by his actions. He was terrified of having to identify the murderer who was at the moment re-enacting the role before our eyes."

"But—" Rogers attempted to protest. Lombardo ignored the effort courteously and with the same magnificent smile.

"Moreover, senores, yesterday Senor Barton and Senor Chesebro quarreled violently in the office of the mining company. Senor Barton was discharged; there were threats exchanged. The quarrel was over Senorita Chatfield. All this has been told us by Senor Costillo, the clerk in the office, who was a witness."

Reed Barton was sitting in his cell smoking a cigarette with the air of one upon whom has descended a vast and philosophic calm. His dark blue eyes indicated that there had been no strain, no loss of sleep. His handclasp through the bars of his cell was vigorous and warm, and he looked at us with a faint expression of amusement at our concern for his predicament.

"I didn't dream, Reed," I said, "when we parted at Sam Chatfield's last night, that we would find you here this morning."

"Neither did I, Barry. Mexico not only is a land of romance, but, in the threadbare observation, anything can happen in it."

"And does, apparently," remarked Huntoon Rogers, a wry twist to his lips. "I'm sorry that this has happened, Reed. It is much too soon to make an arrest."

We spoke in English, to which the guard lounging near by paid no attention.

"When were you arrested, Reed?" I inquired.

"At the very moment when I was sleeping my best, just before sunrise. They came knocking on my door, made me dress and brought me here."

"But they haven't anything in the way of evidence that a good attorney couldn't shoot holes through—at least, back home it would be so," I said.

Reed cocked his head and looked at me. "This is different, Barry," he remarked. "I don't know what they've got. Except for one thing—the police picked up a knife in my room while I was dressing. It seemed to have its effect."

"Yes, it was a small, thin-bladed weapon that killed Chesebro. But there's more than that, of course," Rogers explained. "Lombardo seems to have been swayed a great deal by what a clerk in your office told about you and Chesebro quarreling."

"Costillo?" said Reed. "He would, of course. We did have quite a go—the Chief and I. I guess I told you about it, Barry. We unloaded everything we had been storing up for each other for several months. Chiefly concerning Elsa, you know; but, even if I do say it, he rather started talking about Elsa. Down here, of course, things like that amount to fighting words."

Steps along the corridor interrupted our conversation; the guard sat more erect in his chair and shot a glance at us as if he meditated bringing our conference to a halt. Walking rapidly around the corner came the short, rather thick figure of Sam Chatfield. He saw us standing outside Reed Barton's cell and came directly toward us, a smile lighting his rather serious face.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

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A General Quiz

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1. How far is the Panama canal from the equator?
2. By what name is Vissarconovich Dzugashvili now known?
3. In the First World war it was "zero hour." What is it now called?
4. A standard 24-foot parachute has an area of how many square yards?
5. The power of a number is what?
6. Where was the first real bicycle made?
7. When the pilot of a torpedo plane speaks of "feathers," to what does he refer?
8. Peter II, young king of Jugoslavia, is the son of former Princess Mary of what country?

### The Answers

1. It is 600 miles.
2. Stalin.
3. "H" hour.
4. Seventy.
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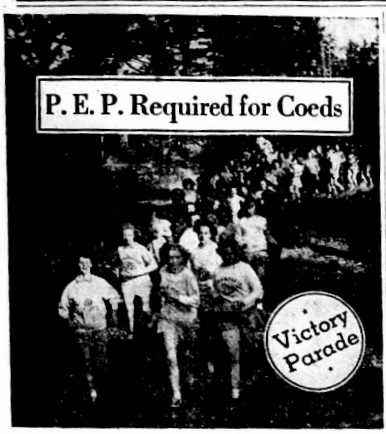
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# • OUR COMIC SECTION •













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**Meow!**

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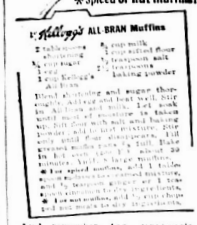
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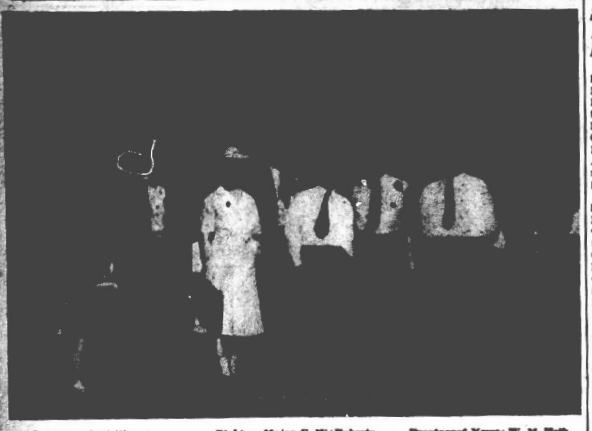
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## —NEWSMAN—

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showed us the various exterior features of the ship—and in crisp, very understandable language, explained its exact functions and the ways and wherefores of this and that.

Aboard the huge ship, we could readily understand why it is a formidable offensive weapon, why it has been called the greatest fighting airplane turned out in mass quantities — and why it takes time to turn out a really great B-17 crew, an integrated unit of 10 men, working together like a great Knute Rockne football team. The inside of that ship is just beyond description — there were so many gadgets and gears and cables and things that it would take a week just to count them, if you had 10 men to do the counting.

Then came a surprise. "Sit down, everybody" said Captain Abel. And sit down we did. Then there was a chugging little noise in the after part of the plane. A man was sitting on each side of the cock-pit. Doors were slammed shut. And then all hell broke loose. The Flying Fort's four big motors were turning up on a pre-flight routine. They had just been given a 100-hour check and the ground crew — God bless 'em — was giving it a look-see. We sat there, some in small chairs, others on ammunition boxes, and a few standing while we listened to the sweetest music this side of heaven — and apologies to Guy Lombardo — the perfect beat of four great engines of destruction. That 15 or 20 minutes was a great experience for all of us. It was a rare privilege and one which we all appreciated.

It would be impossible to set down everything we noticed that day, but this much can be said, a tour of that plant would make a war bond buyer of the most complacent individual in the country.

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There is nothing on the field to denote that it is in the United States — it could be in England, in China, in Italy or somewhere else outside the good old USA! Everything is done to give the place an air of combat operations.

All of us were impressed with the intense seriousness of purpose of the officers and men to whom we talked — they are working against time — and they know it, but time is getting one helluva race from them. They have only one objective, in the words of Colonel Johnson "the only reason we are here is to turn out combat crews."

We lingered a bit in the intelligence building in the "technical area" and here we saw maps of all the world, the gadgets and devices for keeping the officers, and men of the base up to the minute on the war and on the various tactics being used. In this building we saw the rubber life rafts which the bombers carry, the various kits of emergency supplies that are used to keep the men alive after a forced landing at sea or in the jungles or in the Artic.

Captain Donald Davis of Los Angeles, California, Group Intelligence Officer, took us through several facilities and pointed out all the things that are used — but he was proudest of his new war room and auditorium in which moving pictures and slides can be shown.

The people of Polk and Highlands counties, the state of Florida and the nation can be justly proud of the Avon Park Army Air Field — and whenever they hear of big Fort raids over enemy territory in the future, they can conjecture upon just how many of those crews have trained over this air base. Its a great place.

Among those making the tour were O. L. Brice, Lake Wales News; Bill Hetherington, Avon Park Sun; Buck Kelly, Hardee County Herald, Wauchula; Mr. and Mrs. C. Summers, Frostproof News and others.


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## *Selectees Leave Mar. 20, 21, 23 For Army, Navy*

The following six white men have been ordered to report on March 20th, to be sent to Fort McPherson, Ga., to be inducted into the Army: Ray Tomlinson and Robert Dean Stokes, Lorida; Chester Arthur Crews, Avon Park;; Mitchell Edward Woodard, Auburndale; Horace Luther Simmons, Tampa; and Charles Melvin Rucker, Bloomfa.

The following six white men have been ordered to report on March 23, to be sent to U. S. Naval Receiving Station, Miami, for induction into the Navy: Robert C. Campbell, Clio, Ala.; Robert Earl Bryan, Avon Park; Robert Glen Pollard and James Colin Dishong, Sebring; Elton Rhymes, DeSoto City; and James Hart Yates, Bartow.

The following seven negroes are to report March 21, to be sent to Fort Benning, Ga., for induction into the Army: Johnnie Robinson, Tampa; Clary Mitchell, Clewiston; Sam English, Jr., Lake Placid; Harris Lee Williams and Samuel Leroy Williams, Avon Park; Bill Noxon, Taylorsville, Miss.; Cal Jerkins, Sebring.

## *Assembly of God To Have Special Speaker Sunday*

Miss Marie Stephany, returned missionary to China will be bringing a special missionary message at the morning service of the Assembly of God at eleven o'clock. Miss Stephany has been in the active ministry in China the past twenty-five years and was forced to leave her fieldpt labor only the past year due to the invasion of the Japanese. She had to leave her Bible school, mission hall, and orphanage. She is now making a tour of Florida and has a special message to the churches. The public is cordially invited to attend this service Sunday morning. Miss Stephany will go to Haines City Assembly of God Sunday evening.

### S. S. MAN COMING

Mr. Joe F. Verri, Manager of the West Palm Beach Field Office of the War Public Security Board, will be at the City Council Room, City Hall, Avon Park, Fla. on Wednesday, March 22, 1944 at 2:00 p. m.


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YOU'LL BE important — to your country, and to your fighting men — if you take over a vital job in the Army.

In the Women's Army Corps you'll get expert Army training that may pave the way to a postwar career. You'll have a chance to improve your skill or learn a new one — to meet new people, see new places, have experience you'll remember all your life.

Get full details about the WAC at any U. S. Recruiting Station. Or write for interesting booklet. Address: The Adjutant General, 4615 Munitions Bldg., Washington 25, D. C. (Women in essential war industry must have release from their employer or the U. S. Employment Service.)


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FOR SALE—Roll away single bed with mattress; trailer oil heater. 334 Canfield. 12pd.

DRESSMAKING — For women and children. Mrs. L. J. McConnell, end of West Bell Street. M17, 24, 31, A7.

RENT BUYS — (Nothing down) $950 house with bath; immediate possession. McCorkle, 236 Tulane Circle. 12pd.

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## *Operators invited to Attend Meeting Tuesday, March 21*

All persons or business firms engaged in any type of delivery, retail or wholesale, are invited to attend a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday morning, March 21 at 9:30.

The meeting is being called, at the request of the Office of Defense Transportation, in order that all operations affected by the order limiting the number of deliveries, either wholesale or retail, which may be made per day, for every type of commodity, may acquaint themselves with the order; be properly informed as to the various restrictions; and may ask any questions relative to their particular operations.

## *Exemptions and Returns Received Here to April 1*

Looking toward the convenience of Avon Park citizens, County Tax Assessor P. G. Gearing has established Mrs. T. J. McKeon in Pearl Hartt's office to receive applications for homestead, widow's disability exemptions and property tax returns. Under the new tax laws it is necessary to make your homestead exemption application only to the county assessor. The only time you need report to the county commissioners' books. April 1 is the last day exemption applications and tax returns can be accepted, Gearing warned.

### INVEST IN AMERICA. BUY U. S. WAR BONDS!

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice Is Hereby Given, that H. G. Hand, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 668
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: Lots 5 and 16, Block 2, Highlands Addition Per Plat 1, Pages 47 & 48, in Section 34, Township 34 South, Range 28 East.
Name in which assessed: J. G. Beard.

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

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

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1944.

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

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Certificate No. 615
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: NW¼ of NW¼ of NW¼, and S. ½ NW¼ of NW¼ of NW¼ of Section 34, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

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

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

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Certificate No. 614
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: SW¼ of NE¼, W½ of SE¼ of NW¼, and E½ of SW¼ of NW¼, Section 33, Township 33 South, Range 28 East.
Name in which assessed: [illegible] and [illegible] Trustees.

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

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# Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

### FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County; subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as Undersheriff I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (BEGGETT) LONG

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DENSELINE

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORBELL

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMSTEAD

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary on May 2, 1944.

DAN YOUNG

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 37th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four senatorial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLEMY

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MERITON

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

### FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be greatly appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

### FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the confidence shown me of having no contested opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. B. LANIER

### FOR CONSTABLE

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primary. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as Chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

### FOR CONSTABLE, FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

WILEY SAULS

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

### FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination as your county Judge. I will appreciate your vote and support, and promise you, as in the past, efficient, and courteous operation of the office.

THOS. A. NICHOLAS

### FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill the office. Then I took office I promised a policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIRTT

### FOR STATE SENATOR

In submitting my decision to enter the State Senatorial race from the 37th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The last four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a postwar world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a farmer, cattleman, banker, merchant, in small as well as large city enterprises, my qualifications, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor am I obligated to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare and advancement of the citizens I represent as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILSON C. KING

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the duties, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALDEN BLAKE

# THE SUN

VOLUME XIX—NUMBER 19 AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1944 THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1926 THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 25, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1943



Any customer you can refer to us will be appreciated. Your friends can't help but please you, when they see the good prices in this store.


## Our Men In The Service

2nd Lt. Wyman Carver arrived on this week from West Point, where he received his wings and commission and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Carver. He is leaving today for Front Park in Tampa, where he will be stationed for the next few weeks.

Lt. Clayton Pitts, bombardier on a B-24 Liberator, stationed somewhere in Italy wrote his parents Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fields March 7 that he had completed ten missions, and had 45 more to go. His plane is named the Dirty Thirty. He says he plans to return to Avon Park when the war is over, and that he wants to spend with the money he is saving, and settle down here.

Ray Bennett, machinist mate, second class, U. S. navy will return to Camp Perry, Va., Saturday P. M., after spending several days at his home.

Orin S. Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Price, has completed OCS at Camp Davis, N. C., and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery. He arrived home on leave Thursday and is spending the week end with his family at Sarasota.

H. F. Brother writes his mother Mrs. Dora Wilson, from the Mediterranean Ports that he has been on a ten day leave and has been enjoying himself. He didn't say where he was but said the people were grand to soldiers and showing him a good time. He is a gunner on an anti-aircraft crew.

Cadet Jack Hendrix, student at Centenary college, Shreveport, La., had the misfortune to fall and break the small bone in his right leg, when running up the steps of the college, and is now confined to the base hospital at Barksdale Field, where he has advised his parents he will probably be for the next four weeks.

AAO Sanford Hartt, who has just completed his pre-flight training for the army air corps at Maxwell Field, Ala., is now home on leave that is arriving this week to take their primary training at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy. Cadet Hartt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherl W. Hartt, and had spent the early part of his air corps training in the pursuit of navigation.

## E. F. Armstrong Elected President Winter Guest Club

E. F. Armstrong was elected president of the Winter Guest Club at its recent annual meeting. Other officers elected were R. H. Bovard, first vice president; F. G. Skinner, second vice president; J. C. Starrett, secretary, and F. A. Trum, treasurer.

The Board of Directors was elected as follows: E. F. Armstrong, R. H. Bovard, D. A. Brodie, Mrs. A. W. Forbes, Edward Hammond, Mrs. I. D. Kelley, R. E. Maynard, W. A. Rallson, Fred J. Simons, J. C. Starrett, and Rev. Hoyt Tatum. These officers and directors will take office April 1.

The aim of the club is to furnish recreational features to residents and visitors of Avon Park, and to service men and their wives at a nominal fee.

## Fire Department Reports Two Fires

The fire department was called to the S. S. Thayer home on Lake Jovita, on Monday evening, where fire, of the extent of about $100 damage, was put out. Origin of the fire is unknown.

The second fire this week was at the Jessamine Beauty Shoppe, on Wednesday when fire caused by an electrical origin, caught the roof and caused damage to the extent of $75.00 The quick and efficient work of the fire department were responsible for the fact that neither fire gained much headway, before it was extinguished.

## Registration Books Here Sat., 2 to 10

Registration books for the three Avon Park precincts will be in Avon Park at Wells Motor Company Saturday afternoon from 2 to 10 p. m., Supervisor of Registration Hazel Dreit stated today. The extra trip here is for the convenience of a number of Avonians who failed to register while the books were here. Shortage of gas and tires prevents many from going to Sebring to register. Do it now and be ready for May 2 primary.

### ATTEND BTU MEETING

About forty members of the Baptist BTU went to Wauchula Monday night to attend the associational BTU. Dr. Hudson of Lakeland, Baptist BTU from Florida, was the principal speaker.

# LAMA Cadets Graduate With Colorful Rites

### Gen. Hanley Here To Witness Cadet Ceremonies

Major General Thomas J. Hanley, Jr., commanding general of the Eastern Flying Training Command, Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., told cadets of the 61st army air forces flying training detachment graduating class at the Lodwick Aviation Military Academy here that the need for air officers now is greater than the need for pilots. He was the principal speaker at colorful graduation exercises held at the Academy Tuesday, March 21st. Other speakers included Albert I. Lodwick, recently returned from a 54,000 mile aerial tour of the world battle fronts, and Charles H. Colebaugh, editor of Colliers magazine.

"We are capable of training 180,000 pilots a year now with the training facilities we have so what we need is good officers instead of just pilots. The training schools today have become the biggest officers candidates schools in the world.

"We can now begin to polish the material we have on hand. We want you men to be good officers in addition to being good pilots. Today we need leaders. There are not many leaders. You have a wonderful opportunity in your training which lies ahead of you. Think hard, think clean and bore straight into your work. You will remember what you are learning now the rest of your lives. It will stand you in good stead if you make the most of it," General Hanley said.

General Hanley was introduced by Albert I. Lodwick, managing director of the school. A huge crowd of cadet wives, soldiers and officers of cadets and civic leaders were present. Mr. Lodwick introduced Mr. Colebaugh who spoke to the cadets briefly. He told the cadets he was impressed with the "country club" atmosphere of the school" and said he wished all Americans could see the favorable conditions under which aviation cadets received their primary training. He concluded by saying America was most fortunate in its youth of today.

In introducing General Hanley Mr. Lodwick sketched his career in the army fifteen the time he graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1915, was commissioned a second Lieutenant in the infantry and later in 1916 was ordered to flying training in the aviation section of the Signal Corps.

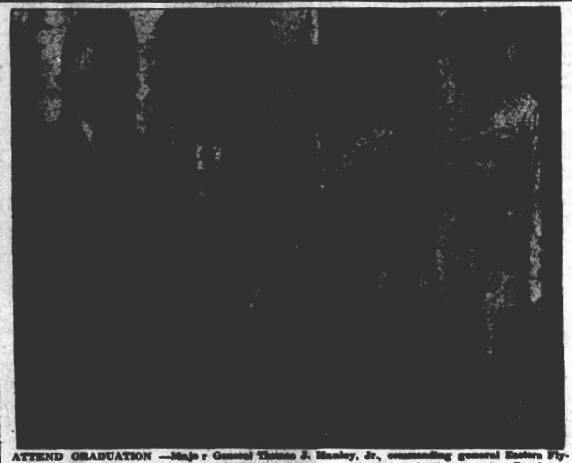
"General Hanley is a veteran in the flying game." Mr. Lodwick told the cadets. "We are very fortunate in having him here as our speaker today because as commanding general of the Eastern Flying Training Command he is a very busy man. His ability as a leader and an organiser is outstanding. Just recently the army has given him new responsibilities by adding new schools to his already large Eastern Flying Training Command."

Mr. Lodwick said that while he was overseas he had met many Lodwick Aviation Military Academy graduates on the various battle fronts he visited, and that all of them were doing a "grand job ing the air." He also told of meeting many of the graduates from his Lakeland primary school.

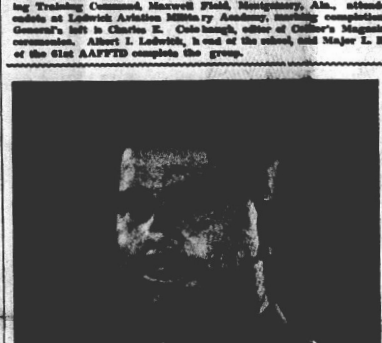
"One thing that impressed me immensely while I was over there," Lodwick said, "was that discipline was of outstanding importance. You may think that the discipline here has been tough. It has to be tough in order to make you tough so you can fight a tough war."

Major L. E. Richardson, commanding officer of the 61st army air forces flying training detachment, his staff officers and a cadet guard of honor received General Hanley at the airport as his Lockheed Lodstar landed. General Hanley was accompanied by Captain Vernon Johnson, his aide and Captain Robert M. Hallock, pilot of the plane. Mr. Lodwick flew with General Hanley to Avon Park from Lakeland where the General had also made an address to the graduating class of the Lakeland school.

The morning program consisted of athletic events and competitive drill of lower class flights. In the afternoon ceremonies a ceremonial parade was staged and medals were awarded.



ATTEND GRADUATION —Major General Thomas J. Hanley, Jr., commanding general Eastern Flying Training Command, Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., attended graduation exercises Tuesday of cadets at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, marking completion of primary training here. At the General's left is Charles H. Colebaugh, editor of Collier's Magazine, New York City, a guest at the ceremonies. Albert I. Lodwick, h end of the school, and Major L. E. Richardson, commanding officer of the 61st AAFTD completes the group.



COLONEL GLINT T. JOHNSON

## Base Commanding Officer Raised to Grade of Colonel

Announcement was made today of the promotion of Lieutenant Colonel Clint T. Johnson, Commanding Officer of Avon Park Army Air Field to the grade of Colonel. The promotion was effective March 16, 1944.

Colonel Johnson was born in West Plains, Missouri and graduated from the University of Oklahoma. His flying career began as a Second Lieutenant during World War 1 when he joined the embryonic air force, then known as the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps. At the conclusion of active service in 1919, Colonel Johnson retained his reserve commission and received regular promotions to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel which rank he held when recalled to active duty in 1941.

He holds ratings of Command Pilot, Combat Observer and Airplane Observer. Colonel Johnson assumed command of the Avon Park Army Air Field, November 7, 1942. He had been previously stationed at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma. Colonel Johnson is one of the pioneers of commercial aviation. His experience goes back to the days of barnstorming in that hazardous period in the early development of American aviation.

Colonel Johnson's home is in Oklahoma City. He is married and has two children. His son, Bernard T. Johnson, is a captain in the Air Corps stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. His daughter, Betty Jean is a student at the University of Oklahoma.

### DO YOU WANT SOME CONCRETE ALLEYS

The Chamber of Commerce wishes to notify the public that anyone may have the concrete alleys on the east side of the building, if they will move them away. Contact Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb, secretary of the organization.

## Frank Upchurch To Speak Here Next Tuesday

Frank D. Upchurch, of St. Augustine, candidate for the Democratic nomination as Governor of Florida will bring his campaign to Avon Park at 5:30 P. M. on Tuesday, March 28th.

Advance information indicates he will discuss in plain language his fourteen objectives, which concern such vital problems as education, old age assistance, agriculture, veterans, labor as well as a number of subjects in which citizens here are vitally interested.

While here Senator Upchurch hopes to meet his friends and supporters and any others who desire information about his candidacy. His visit is a part of his state-wide speaking tour which provides for appearances in each of Florida's 67 counties.

Widely experienced in government, Upchurch has served as city attorney, municipal judge, city commissioner, mayor of his home city, member of the house in the Legislature, and he is now a state senator.

### NEW COUNTY AGENT

V. T Oxer of Lake Placid, was hired as county agent Tuesday by the board of county commissioners, for a term of one year, effective at once. Mr. Oxer is a former county agent of Ripley county, Ind. He was engaged in dairying near Miami, and is a rancher at Lake Placid.

## Millard Caldwell Is Speaker Here

Millard Caldwell declared in a speech in Avon Park Saturday that, as governor, he would stand squarely behind the farmers of Florida, seek an increase in state aid for schools, go after new industries and take measures to provide jobs for unemployed men and women returning from the services and released by war plants after the war.

"Our first job is to win the war," he said. "After that we must be ready with plans to take back into our communities the men and women who will return from war service, guaranteeing to them the right to employment and freedom from regimentation and undemocratic restriction. We must accept all necessary restrictions during the war but get rid of them quickly as soon as the war necessity has passed."

Mr. Caldwell said the shock of unemployment can be absorbed by wise use of the compensation fund which has already exceeded $33,000,000 but that permanent jobs must be provided by converting industries to civilian production, attracting new industries and more tourists to Florida, increasing farm prosperity, expanding state highway construction and other public works and increasing old age pension to the full $40 a month allowed under the law which he helped to pass through Congress. The increased old age pension, he said, will permit many older persons to retire leaving jobs for younger workers.

"As governor," Mr. Caldwell declared, "I would vigorously support the farming interests of the state in their efforts to free themselves from hampering restrictions and to obtain fair prices to meet higher costs of production."

In his speech here Mr. Caldwell declared an increase in state aid for schools to $1,000 a unit. He said he favors advertising to attract tourists and industries and increasing the sale of Florida products.

## M. M. Martin Dies Here Wednesday at Home of Daughter

M. M. Martin, 73, passed away Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. Whidden, with whom he has made his home for the past four months. Death came following a long illness. Mr. Martin was a pioneer resident of Florida, coming to the state with his parents at the age of three and settling near Ft. Ogden in old DeSoto county. He has lived at Stuart on the East Coast for the past 17 years. His wife preceded him in death three years ago.

Funeral services will be held at Stuart at John's Mortuary at 2 p. m. Sunday.

Surviving relatives are a son, Elmer Martin, Okeechobee; four daughters, Mrs. Essie Asher, Lake Butler; Mrs. M. E. Christie, Jacksonville; and Mrs. Dosie Whidden and Mrs. F. M. Savage, Avon Park; two brothers, Eddie Martin, Fort Myers and John Martin, Sarasota; and 18 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

# Leather Pushers to Stage Red X Show

**Boxing gloves, big and little fighters, punches, et al, will be thrown in the ring Friday night, March 31, when the Red Cross benefit boxing card is presented at 8:30 p. m. in the Avon Park USO auditorium. Proceeds of the show will go entirely to the Avon Park Army Air Field Red Cross Drive.**

**Nine bouts are scheduled for the evening with the major share of opposition coming from nearby Hendrick Field at Sebring. Double wind-up fights of four rounds each headline the bill.**

### HEADLINER



Dick Donahue, popular Range middleweight, who will appear in double wind-up at Red Cross Boxing Show sponsored by American Legion at USO Armory next Friday night. Mgt. Lester Weber, Range Boxing instructor, and himself a former Golden Glove champ is shown with him.

## Red Cross Drive Behind Showing Made Year Ago

The Red Cross War Fund Drive in Avon Park which started with a rally in the high school auditorium Monday March 13th is making progress, but we are approximately $800.00 short of raising the amount that was contributed by citizens of Avon Park a year ago.

The house to house canvass is about completed, but not all returns reported. Also the business district returns are not all in. We Avon Park will have gone over the top in the 1944 War Fund Drive.

Lodwick Aviation Military Academy and the Avon Park Army Air Field collections will be credited on Avon Park's quota. These returns will not be reported until their drive has been completed.

In 1943 around $2,500.00 was collected in Avon Park for the Red Cross, not counting Lodwick Aviation Military Academy and the Avon Park Army Air Field. As of Thursday, March 23, approximately $1,700.00 had been collected in Avon Park.

The Park Theatre started taking two collections a day on Thursday and will continue for one week. The Avon Park Boy Scout Troop, R. E. Maynard, Scoutmaster, has charge of these collections at the Park Theatre.

The Barnett Bank will be glad to receive donations for the Red Cross through March 31st.

All Red Cross workers is asked to meet in the customers room of the Florida Public Service Company next Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock for final returns and see if any part of the community has not been solicited.

REMEMBER, THE RED CROSS IS AT HIS SIDE AND THE RED CROSS IS "YOU." If you have not already contributed, please do so before March 31st.

## Junior Class Gives Fine Performance Friday Evening

"The Late Mr. Early," junior class play was presented to a packed audience at the high school auditorium last Friday evening. Fourteen juniors taking the part of the various characters displayed unusual talent, and reflected splendid training they had received under their director, Mrs. Annabelle Worden. The play, a three-act comedy, provided an evening of thrills and unexpected complications that all combined to present many hilarious scenes.

S/Sgt. Dick Donahue, a crafty middleweight from Philadelphia, Pa., will don his fighting togs and wade into Bob McShane, a 165 pounder from Hendricks Field and a former Pittsburgh slugger. Sgt. Donahue, well known to APAAF boxing fans, is a highly recognized contender for the Florida middle weight championship. He has participated in a number of bouts as a member of the APAAF boxing club and trainers and coaches report that he is in tiptop shape for this slugfest.

Paired with the Donahue-McShane windup is the scheduled four-round tussle between Pfc. Roy Fumanti, another Philadelphia leatherslinger, and Harry Kursch, who hails from Baltimore, Md., and Hendricks Field. Fumanti weighs 145 and Kursch tips the beam at 143. Fumanti, another prominent APAAF fighter, went to the semi-finals in the recent Golden Gloves tourney at Miami. He scored a KO in his first Miami scrap and lost a close decision to last year's National AAU champ, Sgt. Morris Sircanovich, in his second bout. Fumanti, however, was the only fighter to go the distance with Sireanovich, who won the welterweight crown in Miami.

Other fistic struggles on the bill include a three round match between Pfc. Joe Delis, scrappy 157 pound St. Louis "pug", who tackles Henry Stepanic, Sebring's 155 pound slugger and former Pittsburgh boxer. Delis, another APAAF fighter in the Miami tournament, lost his first bout on an unpopular decision. The St. Louis lad packs plenty of punch and is a colorful boxer for the fans to watch.

Two APAAF sluggers are lined up for the next contest. Pfc. Stu Ellis, 155 pounds of power, meets Pvt. Percy Clymer, another 158 pounder in one of the three round "prelims."

The next fight on the card will be a three-round bout between Cpl. Ralph Thomas, colored 145 pound mittsman, and Hendricks Field's John Davidson, a 140 pound battler.

Pvt. Art Dean, APAAF colored lad, weighing 140, faces Bob Campbell, another Hendricks fighter who scales 143 pounds.

Two former "pro" fighters, Len Wislick and Phil Levy, both 150 pound sluggers, face each other in a three round contest. Wislick and Levy hail from New York where plenty of boxing technique is learned. This should be one of the best fights on the card.

Tentatively scheduled is another preliminary bout between Francis Meyers, 175 pound heavyweight, and John Murray, 185 pound slugger. Both of these boys are AP AAF fighters.

Admission for the affair will be: reserved seats for service men and dates, 50c each; reserved seats, $1.00; second and third row seats, $2.50 and first row seats will sell for $5.00. Tickets can be obtained now at PX; Hostess Office Enlisted Men's Service Club; Hostess, Officers Club. In town, tickets can be bought at USO Club, Jacaranda Drug Store and Touchton's Drug Store.

General admission tickets for children of school age will be 25 cents.

## Democratic Com. Authorizes Three County Rallies

The county Democratic committee, meeting in Sebring last Saturday, decided to hold three rallies in the county, having either barbecue or fish frys at each. The first rally will be held Saturday, April 8 at Venus; the second, April 15 at Lake Placid; and the final rally April 22 between Avon Park and Sebring, possibly on the fish and game club grounds. Full details will be announced as plans progress.

### LENTEN TEA ON TUESDAY MARCH 28

The Altar Guild of the Episcopal Church will entertain at their annual Lenten Tea on Tuesday afternoon, March 28 from 3:00 'til 5:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Demos Mandis. The public is cordially invited to attend.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# U. S. Bombers Reduce Rabaul Defense; Hitler's Black Sea Bases Periled by Red Armies' Ukraine Break-Through; British Strikers Slow War Production

(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.)
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Burma—U. S. Commander of Chinese troops on Burma front, Lt.-Gen. Joseph Stilwell (at left in raincoat) queries wounded Jap prisoner (seated).

## EUROPE:
### *See Zero Hour*

As the Axis radio dinned that the invasion of Europe could be expected at any day, huge fleets of heavy U. S. and British bombers escorted by fighter planes continued to pour fire and destruction on the enemy's industry and defense installations, with Berlin as No. 1 target.

Expecting the grandest amphibious assault in military history, the Nazi high command continued to boast of its steel and concrete coastal fortifications equipped with long and short range rocket guns, and, declaring the impending hostilities were to determine the future fate of Germany, insisted that they must fight it out in their deep defenses rather than make a wholesale retreat.

In Italy, strong armored German forces jabbed at stubborn U. S. and British lines on the Anzio beachhead below Rome, while heavy slush and snowfall slowed Allied advances on the bloody Cassino front, where bitter house to house fighting again was resumed after a long lull.

## GREAT BRITAIN:
### *Coal Strikes*

Laying down their tools in dissatisfaction over recent national wage adjustments which failed to take account of their work in excessive dust and water, an estimated 97,000 Welsh coal miners walked out of 156 pits and were joined by thousands in other English and Scottish fields as the government pondered taking over the properties.

Formerly, the Welsh were paid a weekly bonus of $1.20 or more in addition to their regular wage of $18.07 for working under unfavorable conditions, but when the government recently raised the minimum pay of all the nation's miners to $20, no adjustment was made in their compensation.

With war industries, railroads and special overseas shipping threatened, the government insisted the men return to their jobs before it moved to meet the Welshmen's demands, and also strove to settle complaints of piece-workers that the new minimum wages gave straight-time miners producing less equal compensation.

### *War Production*

Fully girded for war since the declaration of hostilities, Great Britain's bustling industrial machine has turned out 63,000 tanks, armored cars and gun carriers; more than 115,000 guns of more than 20 mm. caliber; nearly 5,500,000 machine-guns, rifles, submachine guns and automatic pistols; more than 1,000,000 vehicles and almost 90,000 aircraft.

With the U. S. producing the major bulk of the Allies' merchant shipping, British yards have concentrated on naval construction, with the result that His Majesty's fleet is greater now than at the beginning of the war.

Because of Britain's concentration on the production of heavy bombers, it has been able to supply three-quarters of the total structural weight of the Royal Air force, with the U. S. providing 18 per cent and British dominions 6 per cent of the remainder.

## PACIFIC:
### *Big Base Crumbles*

Once Japan's big nerve-center in the South Pacific, Rabaul, had become increasingly untenable for the enemy under the heavy fire of U. S. bombers and fighter planes.

Formerly a beehive of activity with Jap cargo ships carrying material into the port for transfer to smaller barges used to supply troops in the battle zones, U. S. fliers returning from raids over the New Britain base reported that big ships no longer could be seen.

Further demonstrating U. S. superiority in the area, American troops battling in the Admiralty islands to the north of Rabaul were supplied by cargo vessels sailing right into the fighting zone under protection of warships which encountered no resistance.

### *U. S. Interests*

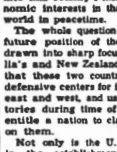
As high U. S. officials prepared for conferences with British leaders in London on America's postwar role in the Pacific, congress moved to appoint a 21-man committee to look into this country's military and economic interests in that part of the world in peacetime.

The whole question of America's future position of the Pacific was drawn into sharp focus with Australia's and New Zealand's declaration that these two countries are to be defensive centers for islands to their east and west, and use of any territories during time of war does not entitle a nation to claims or rights on them.

Not only is the U. S. concerned in the establishment of military bases in the Pacific for defensive purposes, but it also is anxious to provide equal opportunity for such American interests as airlines.

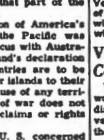
## RUSSIA:
### *Race Against Thaw*

As the Russians and Finns had exchanged peace terms, Red armies far to the south bit deeper into Nazi lines in the Ukraine. In headlong smashes designed to beat the fast-coming spring thaws, the Russians had scored significant breakthroughs aimed at Germanheld Black sea bases and poised further threats to the Nazi legions in the Dnieper bend.



Marshal Mannerheim

The Finns represented by Vaino Tanner had earlier insisted on restoration of the pre-war borders and declared they could not consider ejecting the Germans from the country without risking civil strife with Nazi sympathizers in the army, commanded by Field Marshal Mannerheim.



Vaino Tanner

The Finns had proposed to negotiate with the Germans for restoring their troops, either through Norway or neutral Sweden. Or if this failed, they had hoped merely to isolate the Nazis in the north.

## U. S. SHIPPING:
### *Equals All Others*

Asserting that the U. S. merchant marine is greater than all of the Allied shipping combined, War Shipping Administrator Rear Admiral Emory S. Land called for storage of those vessels not used for world trade after the war.

In advocating extensive use of U. S. merchant vessels in the postwar world, Admiral Land said that formerly Japan carried 90 per cent of her exports in its own ships, Germany 70 per cent and Italy 60 per cent.

Declaring that the U. S. is bearing the bulk of Allied shipping in the war, Admiral Land told a congressional committee conducting hearings on extension of the lend-lease act that 42 per cent of the outbound cargo from this nation last year was lend-lease material, and of the total less than 2 per cent was lost in comparison with 5 per cent in 1942.

## TVA:
### *Control Sought*

Carrying his bitter feud with Tennessee Valley Authority Chairman David E. Lilienthal to the senate floor, Sen. Kenneth McKellar (Tenn.) led in the move to amend the $4¼ billion dollar appropriation bill for independent offices so as to compel TVA to turn all of its revenues over to the treasury and operate only on monies allocated to it by congress.

Showing that TVA netted almost $4 million dollars from power operations for the 10-year period ended June 30, 1943, McKellar claimed that TVA had favored the Aluminum Company of America with lower rates than the Reynolds Metal company, and Lilienthal had used TVA funds for advertising.

Taking another step at government bureaus, Senator Russell (Ga.) introduced legislation under which all semipermanent federal agencies created by the President would have to go directly to congress for funds if remaining in existence after one year.

## Faithful Dog



Object of a five-hour search by 60 neighbors and rescuers of Wyckoff, N. J., 12-month-old Veronica De Voro was found waist deep in mud of a swamp 1½ miles from her home, with her black cocker spaniel, Tippy, whimpering faithfully by her side.

## VETS EMPLOYMENT:
### *Company Plan*

With many of its 15,000 men and women in the services already being discharged, the International Harvester company announced one of the first comprehensive vets' reemployment plans in industry for its 21 plants and 187 sales branches.

Objective of the plan is to restore vets in their old jobs, or positions of comparable seniority and pay. Special training programs are to be established for physically handicapped, while full use will be made of new skills acquired by vets in the service. Vets' rights during training will be reviewed at least once a month.

Handicapped employees will be given lighter work, and mechanical changes will be made to further ease the labor of the more seriously disabled.

## U. S. CASUALTIES:
### *Report 162,282*

Of America's 162,282 battle casualties as of February 23, 37,682 lost their life and 35,580 were missing, either as prisoners of war, dead or men lost who had not yet made their way back to friendly hands. More than 37,000 were wounded.

Of the total, army casualties included 30,302 dead and 47,318 wounded, while the navy reported 17,283 dead and 9,810 wounded. The army suffered its heaviest losses in the Mediterranean region, where up to January 31, 8,271 were dead, 28,270 wounded, 3,161 missing and 7,381 prisoners.

In London, the army's chief psychiatric consultant, Col. Lloyd J. Thompson, reported that 75 per cent of the mental cases now in the army can cured and returned to duty. Another 20 per cent of the more serious cases have been cured after special insulin, shock and sleep therapy and group psychotherapy.

## AGRICULTURE:

To assure farmers of an incentive for production, War Food administration is engaged in a support program on 30 separate crops.

Unable to dump its produce back on the market, the WFA must make other uses of it, donating some of the food to schools or institutions.

In the case of potatoes, WFA stocks will be dehydrated and made into munitions alcohol or stock feed. Some of the dehydrated potatoes will be consigned as feed, mostly for lend-lease.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**ORCHIDS:** American soldiers in Italy are showing a decided preference for orchids as Easter flowers for their sweethearts, wives and mothers in the United States. Red Cross workers who are arranging to have the flowers purchased and delivered, report that these exotic blossoms are leading the more conventional roses, lilies, and gardenias in soldiers' choice.

**BISHOP:** The Rev. Thomas N. Nicholson, retired bishop of the Methodist church, died at 86 in Mount Vernon, Iowa. He was bishop of Chicago from 1916 to 1924, and of Detroit from 1924 to 1932. He served as president of the Anti-Saloon league. Before his episcopacy, he held several pastorates and was president of the Methodist college at Mitchell, S. D.

# Death of 91-Year-Old California Author Recalls How He, as Young Army Lieutenant, Recorded for Posterity Famous Speech of a Great Indian Chief

By ELBERT SCOTT WATSON
Released by Western Newspaper Union.

THE recent death of Col. Charles Erskine Scott Wood in California recalls one of the most dramatic incidents in American military history, for he was one of the chief actors in that drama. It was the surrender of Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce Indians in the Bear Paw mountains of Montana on October 5, 1877, after his epic retreat of more than 1,000 miles which won for him a place among the great captains of all time.

Colonel Wood, then a young lieutenant on the staff of Gen. O. O. Howard, was present at the surrender, took down the Indian leader's "surrender speech" and it is to him that we are indebted for a complete and accurate text of what has become a classic of American oratory.

The story of the Nez Perce war of 1877 and of Chief Joseph's retreat is too familiar a tale to need repetition in all its details here. Its origin was the old, old story of a broken treaty, of white men covetous for Indian lands, of white aggression that brought about retaliation by the red man and then a call for troops to "put down an Indian uprising." In this case, however, the leader of the Nez Perces did not decide on her to defend his native soil by fighting the soldiers. Instead, he conceived the bold plan of fleeing with his people to Canada, fighting only if the troops barred his road.

Gen. O. O. Howard, commander of the Military Department of the Columbia, acted promptly when news of the killing of four settlers by a



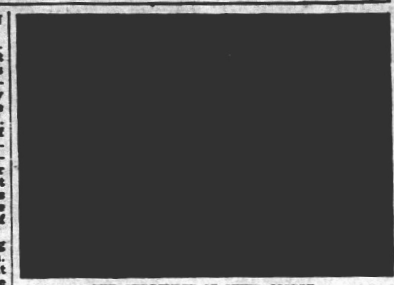
C. E. S. WOOD

young Nez Perce warrior marked the opening of the "war." He began concentrating troops at all strategic points to surround the Nez Perce. The first engagement took place on June 17 when Captain Perry and a small body of troops attacked Joseph's camp in White Bird canyon. Displaying unexpected military skill, Joseph laid a trap for Perry and all but annihilated his command.

After this defeat General Howard took the field himself and the chase was on. Before it was ended the Nez Perce leader outwitted, outfought and outmarched the troops of Howard, Colonel Sturgis of the Seventh cavalry and several other detachments sent to intercept him. To realize the greatness of his achievement one has but to read this brief summary:

The Nez Perce leader was encumbered with women and children whom he refused to desert and allow them to fall into the hands of the soldiers, as he might have done several times to facilitate his flight. His fighting force never at any time exceeded 300 warriors. Yet with these handicaps he fought 11 engagements, five of them pitched battles, and he lost only one. In the other six skirmishes he killed 126 and wounded 140 of the 2,000 soldiers who were on his trail at one time or another with a loss of 151 killed and 88 wounded of his own people.

Then, having left his pursuers far behind, he stopped 50 miles short of his goal — the Canadian line — in order to give his weary people a chance to rest. He did not know of the approach of Col. Nelson A. Miles and the Fifth Infantry until his camp in the Bear Paw mountains in Montana was attacked on the morning of September 30. For five days the Nez Perce leader and his little band, greatly outnumbered, withstood the soldiers' attacks.



THE SURRENDER OF CHIEF JOSEPH
As depicted by Frederic Remington in General Miles' "Personal Recollections."

On October 4 General Howard with his two aides, Lieut. Guy Howard, his son, and Lieutenant Wood, accompanied by two friendly Nez Perces (both of whom had daughters in the hostile camp) and an interpreter, arrived in Miles' camp. The next day, those two Nez Perces, George and Captain John, entered the camp of the beleaguered Indians. They told the chief that General Howard was there with promises of good treatment and that his whole command was only two or three days behind him. With tears in their eyes they begged him to surrender because his was a just cause and Joseph agreed.

The scene which followed is described by Wood in a letter which has never before been published. It follows:

"The surrender was October 5, 1877. Joseph rode up the hill near to sunset to where we were—Howard, Miles, Chapman, the interpreter; Oscar Long, adjutant to Miles; Guy Howard, the general's son and aide de camp, and myself. I was aide de camp, also adjutant general in the field—in charge of records, etc.

"There or four men on foot hung around Joseph, clinging to his knees and saddle blanket. All were bareheaded. Joseph's hair hung in two braids on each side of his face. He wore a blanket. I do not remember the color, but I would say gray with a black stripe and I would say it was girdled about his waist but carried up and around his shoulders. Under his blanket he wore a woolen shirt open at the throat, a dark color—I am inclined to think it was army blue. He wore moccasins and leggings. His rifle was across the pommel in front of him. When he dismounted he picked up his rifle, pulled his blanket closer around him and walked toward General Howard and offered him the ride. Howard waved him toward Miles. He then walked to Miles and began his speech."

The text of that historic speech as given by Colonel Wood follows:

Tell General Howard I know his heart. What he told me before—I have it in my heart.

I am tired of fighting. Our chiefs are killed. Looking Glass is dead. Too-hul-hul-sut is dead. It is the young men now who say "yes" and "no" (rule in the council). He who led on the young men (Ollicut, his brother) is dead. It is cold and we have no blankets. The little children are freezing to death. My people—some of them—have run away to the hills and have no blankets, no food. No one knows where they are—perhaps freezing to death. I want to have time to look for my children and see how many of them I can find; maybe I shall find them among the dead. Hear me, my chiefs, my heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands I will fight no more forever!

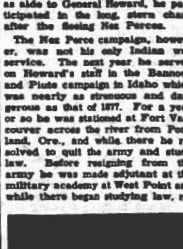
The above version of the "surrender speech" is the one given in an article "Chief Joseph, the Nez Perce" by Colonel Wood which appeared in the Century magazine for May, 1885. It has often been reprinted with considerable variation in the text but we have Colonel Wood's assertion (in Chester A. Fee's "Chief Joseph—The Biography of a Great Indian") that this is the correct one. In the letter, previously quoted, he says: "Neither General Miles nor anyone else knows Joseph's long surrender speech accurately except myself. No one was interested to take it down. Oscar Long, Miles' regimental adjutant, was there to take it down but did not. No one was told to take it down. I was not told. The speeches of Indians were not considered important. I took it for my own benefit as a literary item."

And thus it was that the young lieutenant who took down this speech as a "literary item" preserved for posterity this pathetic utterance of a heartbroken Indian patriot. It has often been compared with the historic speech of Chief Logan of the Cayugas, which became widely known through being printed in the McGuffey Readers and which was a favorite "piece to be spoken" by several generations of American schoolboys.

Wood was born in Erie, Pa., February 28, 1852, the son of William Maxwell Scott, who was the first surgeon-general of the United States navy. Educated at Erie academy and Baltimore city college he was appointed to the United States Military academy at West Point at the age of 18 by President Grant. He was graduated in 1874 and soon after receiving his commission as a second lieutenant was assigned to duty at Fort Bidwell in northeastern California.

By 1877 he was a first lieutenant and on the staff of General Howard. Detailed to act as military escort to a civilian explorer in Alaska, he was in that country when word came of the outbreak of the Nez Perce war. The same mail that brought him word that his regiment was ordered into the field also brought him permission to stay on for the exploration of Alaska but he elected to join his regiment. Thus, as aide to General Howard, he participated in the long, stern chase after the fleeing Nez Perces.

The Nez Perce campaign, however, was not his only Indian war service. The next year he served on Howard's staff in the Bannock and Piute campaign in Idaho which was nearly as strenuous and dangerous as that of 1877. For a year or so he was stationed at Fort Vancouver across the river from Portland, Ore., and while there he resolved to quit the army and study law. Before resigning from the army he was made adjutant at the military academy at West Point and while there began studying law, receiving his law degree from Columbia university and being admitted to the bar in 1886.



CHIEF JOSEPH

Returning to Portland, he soon became the outstanding admiralty lawyer of the Pacific coast and continued its practice until 1890 when he retired to devote himself to a career as a writer and painter, winning success and fame in both fields before his death at the age of 91.

## Wood's 'Heavenly Discourse' Won Him World Fame as an Author

Colonel Wood became world famous for a book of satirical essays which were published under the title of "Heavenly Discourse." He was also a gifted poet. Typical of his verse is:

NIGHT AND THE DESERT

(From "Poems From the Ranges," 1888.)

Flocks of stars across the night fly over.
The moon floats down to lovely, lonecent death
On the dark mountain—a child unto its mother.
I lay my head upon the lap of earth.
She it was who bore me—and when all dwindleth
She will give to me—her child—another birth.
Straight are her dumb, relentless lips to others
But I can hear their soothing through the night,
"Be hushed, my child—you too shall join the flight."
In the vast stillness a small rushover
Flutter from his burrow to the lagging moon.
As a fly upon a window-pane, my solul
Feels its littleness in the cosmic bowl
And clings to the sure bosom; knowing soon
It will take care of me. Space whoels on
Toward the firm, indomitable peak of dawn.

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## *Perhaps It Was the Way That Mr. Smith Said It*

Smith was discussing his wife's peculiarities with a few friends.

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At this juncture his wife entered the room suddenly.

"And," continued Smith, "they found the cat eleven days later on top of the Eiffel Tower!"

And Mrs. Smith still does not understand what there was in that ridiculous statement to make them all laugh so uproariously.






### Prisoners of War

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**Deadhead, Bridgehead**

A beachhead is a position established and fortified on a shore by an invading force. A bridgehead is a defensive area on the enemy's side of a stream, held to guard a bridge, ford or other crossing.


## RHEUMATIC PAIN

Don't put off getting relief from pain of rheumatic aches, neuritis and other rheumatic pains. Caution: Use only as directed. Fast acting. Get 666 Today, buy Online.


**Self-Deception**

The easiest thing of all is to deceive one's self; for what a man wishes he generally believes to be true.—Demosthenes.


## Quintuplets Use Mistercle For Chest Colds!

**To Promptly Relieve Coughing and Make Breathing Easier**

Whenever the Dionne Quintuplets catch cold—their clients, their aunt Besides oils combined in Mistercle, with the counter-irritant action of a good old-fashioned mustard plaster, Mistercle helps loosen up local congestion, relieves coughing spells, and checks. Mistercle is the modern way to relieve chest colds. Use as directed. Don't suffer needlessly. Get Mistercle today.

## For Only 10¢ Now Less than 1¢ a dose

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**Natural Effect**

"What's the matter, Nick?"

"Nothin'. Just a bit dizzy from reading a circular letter, that's all."


MEDICATED Soothes itch of simple rashes by its own medication. Mennen. Non-staining, medicated powder. Regular or Baby. Never diaper rash.


**Soldier's Appetite**

An American soldier consumes about 1¼ times as much food as the average civilian.


LIGHTER Complexion

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**Restless Person**

To stumble twice against the same stone is a proverbial disgrace.—Cicero.


## How To Relieve Bronchitis

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# Amusing Things Happen, Even On Battlefields

Recollections of incidents that couldn't be appreciated at the time the Fifth army was making its landing below Rome are bringing chuckles and laughs to American doughboys now that the battle has settled down to a steady, day in and day out grind.

There's the case of the unidentified doughboy who hurt his leg in a fall into an old foxhole on the first morning of the landing. Positive that he couldn't walk, he stopped some medics and asked to be carried to the rear.

The medics put him on a litter and started forward.

"Where are we going?" the doughboy asked.

The medics replied: "Forward."

The doughboy jumped from the litter and hastily made for the rear.

Then there's the German reichsmarshal who became lost while searching for a unit of the Wehrmacht. He found two foxholes occupied by sleeping soldiers. In vain he tried to awaken the occupant of one of the holes. Turning to the other, he met with success. "What unit is this?" he asked. The awakened occupant grasped the situation and took the Nazi prisoner.

**Wrong Side of Silver.**

Another patrol of 11 reconnaissance soldiers still is chuckling over an incident at a bridge. Riding bravely to battle rolled a German column of small-wheeled troop carriers, bent on stopping the invading Yanks. The Yank patrol had just finished mining the bridge. They lighted the fuse and retired to cover. The troop carrier column rolled on. Three vehicles crossed the bridge when suddenly it went sky-high. Brakes squealed, Germans squealed and pandemonium reigned. Nazi soldiers severed suddenly from their comrades scrambled back through the water to the safe side minus lots of equipment. There was no humor in it for them.

**Cherry Pie for Invaders.**

Hot rolls, apple cobbler, and cherry pie, besides hot coffee and the usual army rations, composed the menu for laboring, sweat-soaked shore engineers when they landed with the first Fifth army invaders on the Anzio-Nettuno beachhead.

The hard-working engineers consider their cook, Corp. Robert Fiedler, Lakewood, Ohio, a hero. But Corporal Fiedler puts it all down to experience.

"Our outfit has made numerous other invasions, and I learned this cherry idea from past experience," he said.

"It took plenty of preparation before the invasion. I made several extra trips to food dumps and had plenty of flour saved up for the trip. I knew the 'boys would like something special when we landed on those beaches. They work twice as hard during the early days of an invasion, so there is no reason why they shouldn't have a few extra treats."

Corporal Fiedler once operated a bakery in Lakewood, New Jersey.

**Ten Tough for Olympic Star.**

Capt. Albert J. Mangan of Lowell, Mass., thought he got a stiff workout in 1936 when he competed in the Olympic games at Berlin. He was one of America's entries in the walking race and he had to cover a rugged 31-mile course.

Mangan, who now is a captain of infantry, discovered, however, that the Olympic grind was "small potatoes" compared with back-breaking terrain infantrymen are now taking in stride in this jungle-bound area.

"If they ever hold a walking championship up these Bougainville jungle mountains, I doubt if anybody would ever finish," Captain Mangan, now 30, said. "That's why you have to give these soldiers here so much credit—they have to hig guns up the steep hills piece by piece."

Captain Mangan won the United States National walking championship in 1936 in Cincinnati, Ohio. He has been overseas two years and is a veteran of the Guadalcanal campaign, plus service in Australia, New Caledonia, and the Fiji islands.

**Everyone's 'Johnny' in Persia.**

It's "Johnny, Johnny, Johnny" everywhere in the Persian Gulf area these days.

To the American soldiers stationed there, the local inhabitants are "Johnny."

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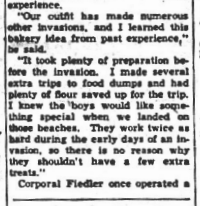
In fact, "Johnny" has become as common as "Tommy" in Rudyard Kipling's famous lines:

"It's Tommy this, and Tommy that, and Tommy go away,
But it's thank you, Mr. Atkins, when the band begins to play."

Mr. Kipling's lines, adapted to the Persian Gulf area today, might well read:

"It's Johnny this, and Johnny that, and Johnny won't you stay,
For he's Santa to the natives there when Johnny gets his pay."

## Pre-Flight Pretties



This plane is the training ship for these girls who are studying aviation at the preflight training field in Los Angeles. They will receive their final training at the women's army ferry command school, Sweetwater, Texas.

## Nation Needs 28,000 More Nurses in Training by July

Twenty-eight thousand more student nurses must be recruited before July 1 to maintain the national health at minimum standards, according to Mrs. Eugenia K. Spaulding, associate director of the United States cadet nurse corps.

Since the cadet nursing program began actual operation in September, 37,000 new student nurses have been recruited, Mrs. Spaulding said, and the corps has a goal of 65,000 to be met by July 1.

## 20 Million Chinese Are Now Facing Starvation

CHUNGKING.—More than 20,000,000 Chinese are facing starvation as the result of Japanese oppression in enemy-held areas of once thriving Hopei province in North China, Chinese reports said recently.

Many areas have become wasteland through Japanese destruction of irrigation works, forced purchase of crops at low prices and the intensified conscription of the Chinese population for labor service.

# Hulls Have to Shine When SPARs Take Over



Like all good sailors, these SPARs keep everything shipshape. Members of a special squad of the coast guard women's auxiliary who patrol the water front at the SPARs' training station in Palm Beach, Fla., scrape the bottom of their boat on the sunny sands.

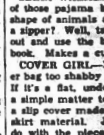
## "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

*By NANCY PEPPER*

**PURSE PROUD**

Girls carry around more stuff in their pocketbooks than most people can pack in a suitcase. That's why they need lots of them. Of course, you will want to buy a new bag for Sunday-best (one of these jumbo felt drawstring jobs would be simply wizard), but how about pocketbooks for every day? Here's how to make them out of practically nothing.



**SLEEP WALKERS**—Have you one of those pajama bags made in the shape of animals and fastened with a zipper? Well, take your pajamas out and use the bag for a pocketbook. Makes a cute mascot, too.

**COVER GIRL**—Is your old leather bag too shabby for its own good? If it's a flat, underarm shape, it's a simple matter to dress it up with a slip cover made of your dress or skirt material. Just the thing to do with the piece of corduroy you had left over after making that new jumper!

**WALLET WINNERS**—The sharpest girls are carrying men's wallets instead of bags to school. They usually have a place for your O. A. O.'s picture, too. Ask Dad if he has an old one. Dress it up with nail polish, felt appliques or embroidery.

**BAGATELLES FROM BAGS**—Don't throw out your old bags. Use the leather (or simulated leather) for lapel gadgets. It works up just as well as felt into any shape you prefer. You might have to ask the shoemaker to do the sewing for you if the leather is very heavy.

**TABLE TALK**—Get one of those woven cellophane mats used for dining room tables. Lay the mat out straight on a table and cut a piece of stiff material in the same size. Sew the two together. Then fold over in envelope bag effect, sew up the sides and use snaps for fasteners on the open flap. The mats come in wonderful colors and they glisten!

**G. I. JOOLS**

*To show whether your heart is in the army or navy (or air force or marines, maybe?) make yourself one of the new G. I. hearts and pin it to your lapel. Here's how you make it. Cut a heart out of a piece of cardboard. Cover with red nail polish. If you want to achieve a stitched leather effect make little lines around the edges with a pin while the polish is still wet. Now, take three sm sarmelon seeds (buttons would do, too) and draw the face of a girl on one. On the other two draw a sailor or soldier boy (depending upon whether you're a Bloxy Whoozy or a Khaki Whacky). Paste the seeds to the heart, with the girl's face in the center.*

**TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—**

Take it from me, a becoming hat is your sincerest form of flattery. Why look all Gone With the Wind when you can be a P-38 in the right hat? For school, pull a beret, G.I hat or visor cap over your tonknot. For dating glamour try a Dutch cap a baby cap or a little bit of fluff that is frosted with a veil. Remember, the right hat can make the most of your good features and hide your bad ones. If you want to look your best—USE YOUR HEAD AND PUT A HAT ON IT!

**ALLERGIES OF A TEEN**

I don't like:
Drippy boys with clammy hands,
Corny songs by corny bands,
Girls who are inclined to cat,
Food that will not make me fat,
Friday nights without a date,
Boys that always show up late;
And—much more than anything—
A telephone that doesn't ring!

# America In Action

**SECRETS OF JET PLANE KEPT FOR 2½ YEARS**

The 2½-year period of designing, constructing and flight testing of the army air forces' new jet propulsion plane is pointed by the war department as a striking illustration in a free country of the safeguarding of security by press, civilians and the military.

The period of secrecy cloaking the plane extended from July, 1941, to January 6, 1944, during which time it was never the subject of public comment or speculation.

Throughout the more than two years, executives and many workers of the General Electric company and of Bell Aircraft corporation, and military personnel in Washington, D. C., at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and other points had knowledge of the jet propulsion plane.

A number of newspaper, magazine and trade paper writers and executives also are known to have come into information concerning the plane, all of whom kept quiet.

**Enemy in Dark, Too.**

The enemy probably also was unaware of the extent to which jet propulsion development had been carried by the United States, a fact attributed directly to the upholding of security by individuals involved.

The story of the secrecy surrounding the plane's development is not without drama. It was constructed at a secret plant on one seaboard, transported across the country, and tested on another seaboard.

The plane is still without an official public designation, but during the years of development it has been known variously as "Putt-Putt," "Squirt," "Hush-Hush," "Siberia," and "Super Secret."

**No Propeller.**

The prime difference in the outward appearance of the jet propulsion plane in contrast with others is that it does not have a propeller. Once when the plane was transported by truck from one testing site to another a dummy wooden propeller was attached, successfully cloaking its identity.

When the first ship was ready for shipment across the continent for testing it was disassembled by Bell Aircraft and crated in a single box. Military personnel, living aboard a caboose, escorted the craft. The plane and its engines have been protected always by a 24-hour guard.

In later months, after the plane had been flown many times and its existence became more widely known, its security status was never violated by those entrusted with its development.

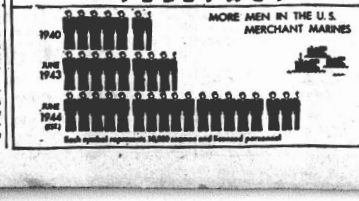
Thus, the plane earns its title as one of the war's best kept secrets, due to the voluntary cooperation of the many individuals responsible for the plane's development and construction.

It is to be emphasized that many details of the plane still are a secret which the war department expects all individuals to uphold.

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## TELEFACT

MORE MEN IN THE U. S. MERCHANT MARINES




Each symbol represents 10,000 seamen and licensed personnel

## Jap Flashlight Bulbs Keep Britons in Dark

LONDON.—Exasperated Britons who purchased flashlights to find every bulb a dud, got an explanation recently.

The bulbs were part of a pre-war consignment of lights made in Japan which the Japs used to dump in Britain at the rate of 60,000,000 a year.

About 90 per cent of the bulbs were said to be bad.

## Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

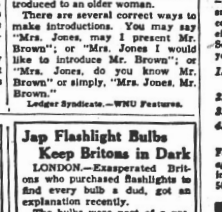


For that too-dry skin use a Double Foundation. Blend on a soft, creamy semi-solid cream. Press a tissue over the skin to absorb any surplus. Now, with a bit of wet cotton, apply liquid powder. Blend and smooth. This Double Foundation not only beautifies dry skin but gives protection.

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## What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



A man is always introduced to a woman, "Miss Jones, may I present Mr. Brown." There are only a few exceptions. A woman is introduced to the President of the United States, to a king or to a high church dignitary.

A woman rises when introduced to a member of the clergy, or when introduced to an older woman.

There are several correct ways to make introductions. You may say "Mrs. Jones, may I present Mr. Brown"; or "Mrs. Jones I would like to introduce Mr. Brown"; or "Mrs. Jones, do you know Mr. Brown" or simply, "Mrs. Jones, Mr. Brown."

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## Household Hints

**If cottons scorch** while ironing, plunge into cold water immediately and allow to stand for 24 hours—the marks will disappear.

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**To prevent** small rugs from slipping, tack a jar rubber ring on the under side of the rug at each end.

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**To lengthen the life** of paper shopping bags, cut a piece of heavy cardboard to fit inside the bottom. Round off the corners. This will also make carrying the bag much easier.

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**To keep china plates** from scratching each other, slip paper doilies between the plates when you put them away.

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**Protect woodwork** with a metal or other non-combustible shield if it is within three feet or less of a stove. The stove or range should be 18 inches or more from the wall.

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**Here is a good way** to use men's ties that are no longer usable for them. Use the wool linings to line your dress belts. You can cut up the ties for many uses, rag rugs, patch quilts, and false handkerchiefs to put in a dress or a coat pocket.


## "ALL-BRAN WORKED WONDERS FOR ME!"

**Says Constipation Sufferer**

There's real hope for common constipation sufferers in this unsolicited letter:

"Thanks for what KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN has done for me. I'm 71 years old. Had been a victim of pills and bitter drinks every night. 6 weeks ago, I started eating KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN every morning. Soon I had regular movements without any trouble. It isn't quite ALL-BRAN enough. It sure works wonders for me." Mr. R. C. Zook, Box 113, Fairbury, Ill.

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If you have constipation of this type, eat KELLOGG'S ALL-BRAN regularly with milk and fruit, or mixed with other cereals. Drink plenty of water. See if you, too, don't get real help! Insist on *genuine* ALL-BRAN, made *only* by Kellogg's in Battle Creek.

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# Folks You Know . .

Mrs. C. O. Locke has gone to Birmingham, Ala., where she was called by the illness of her father.

Mrs. E. A. Darby, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. H. Bovard, has returned to her home in New York.

Mrs. Bud Clark and Mrs. Ada Rice have returned from Bradenton, where they visited their brother-in-law, Jim Radcliffe.

Mrs. F. M. Wolf has returned home from Richmond, Va., where she was called by the death of her sister, Mrs. S. A. Abady, who passed away Feb. 16.

Mrs. H. R. King and two children, Harvey and Judy of Washington, D. C., who have been visiting the former's father, Adolph Abramson in Miami, have returned to Avon Park to continue their visit with her sister, Mrs. Bill Friedman.

Mrs. Fred Stevens of Sebring is spending several days in Avon Park combining business with pleasure.

Lt. Jack Lyle of Lake Charles, La., is spending a ten day leave here with his wife and baby daughter, Vallorie, at the home of Mrs. Lyle's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Armstrong.

Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Jordan and the latter's sister, Mrs. R. R. Cummings spent the past week in Hollywood with Hoover Jordan, Lt. (j. g.) and Mrs. Jordan. Lt. Jordan is an instructor at the navy air gunnery school.

Lt. Willis Baxley of Miami has been the guest of the C. H. Pardee family this week. Lt. Baxley, who was in training at the AF AAF has just returned from the Mediterranean theatre, where he completed over 40 missions. While here, Lt. and Mrs. Baxley resided at the Pardee home.

## Mrs. C. F. Kenney Elected President Woman's Club

In anticipation of the Golden Jubilee to be held in Tampa in April, an interesting program was presented by the Woman's Club at the March meeting held in the Customer's Room of the FPC on Friday afternoon at which time, election of officers for the ensuing year was held. Mrs. C. F. Kenney was elected president; Mrs. A. C. Wester, first vice president; Mrs. R. H. Jordan, second vice president; Miss Daisy Smith, corresponding secretary; Mrs. G. S. McKnight recording secretary; Mrs. C. O. Locke, treasurer; Mrs. W. H. Kempton, registrar. After the regular business session, Mrs. G. F. Thayer, president, presiding, the meeting was turned over to the program chairman, Mrs. C. F. Kenney. Following the salute to the flag, the Club Collect was given.

Mrs. Kenney reviewed the history of the general federation from its origin to the present time, and proved her ability as a historian with her informative resume. "Charles Dickens was the father of the woman's club movement in the United States," she said, "and the Sorosis Club of New York city was the mother of the general federation."

Continuing her outline, Mrs. Kenney related "Early in 1868, the Press Club of New York gave a dinner honoring Charles Dickens. Mrs. J. C. Croly, Alice and Phoebe Carey and other newspaper women seeking admittance were told that no women were wanted. Thereupon Mrs. Croly in March, 1868, organized a club of her own composed entirely of women. Thus Sorosis was born, from which grew the General Federation of Women's Clubs."

The history of the State Federation was presented by Mrs. Fred Stevens, who said it was organized at Green Cove Springs Feb. 1, 1895 and was admitted to the General Federation Jan. 25, 1898."

Continuing, Mrs. Stevens stated "The first definition of a Woman's Club is "A group of organized women in any community, who can be depended upon to promote all movements looking toward the betterment of life."

"The following laws originated as bills from the women of Florida she said: The first resolution presented at the FFWC meeting was controlling the meanderings of the Florida sacred cow' and her descendants — that bore of contention — for to these many years and is yet on the calendar; compulsory school attendance; forestry commission; child welfare; abolishing of convict lease labor system; electrocution of criminals instead of hanging; fire escapes in schools; health welfare; age of consent, 18 years; pre-school survey; school nurses; wife and child desertion made felony; women's probation officer; legislation for establishment of Royal Palm State Park; farm colony for epileptics and feeble minded; mocking bird made state representative bird; orange blossom, state flower; Suwannee River, state song; bills protecting wild life and trees and shrubs; highway beautification.

Mrs. W. M. Reck said that the local club was organized in 1919, with Mrs. Henry Stevenson as its first president. She mentioned the various activities of the club which has always been foremost in the city's history and progress. Mrs. Stevens said that Mrs. Reck might be called the founder of the Avon Park club, as she was one of the main organizers. One of the very pleasant parts of the afternoon's program was the burning of the mortgage on the club house. This honor was extended Mrs. Stevens, who was club president at the time the property was purchased.

In closing the group joined in singing the Doxology, and stood with bowed heads in memory of departed members. Master Phillip Flemion in St. Patrick's costume, presented corsages to all past presidents that were present.

Mrs. V. S. Thomason and young daughter, Ann of Washington, D. C., are visiting Pfc. Thomason's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Thomason. Pfc. Thomason is stationed with his quartermaster outfit at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin.

Miss Peggy Mandis, student at Rollins College, Winter Park, is spending the spring holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Demon Mandis. She has as her house guest, Miss Sallie Wright of Philadelphia, who is also attending Rollins.

## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TOM W. DOBSON)

GI's from the Avon Park Army Air Field competed in a jitter-bug contest held during the regular Tuesday dance at the USO Club. Serving as judges were Chaplain Francis Stewart from the 58th Bombing Group and 1st Sgt. John Crahan. After much discussion between the judges and amongst the audience, they selected Shorty Bolger of the Avon Park Army Air Field and Miss Mary Member of Waushala. Two very lovely prizes were awarded the tired but happy winners. Serving as Senior Hostesses in the ballroom were Mrs. Walter Betts, Mrs. C. P. Anderson, and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield. Mrs. S. C. Purdee assisted in our Snack Bar. Mrs Purdee has been one of our most consistent workers. We are most appreciative of her grand help.

Our Sunday Bingo session has definitely caught on. So much that it is necessary to borrow another complete Bingo set from the American Legion. We thank the legion for the loan of this set until such time as we are able to receive one recently ordered. One of the main attractions of our Bingo game is the clear enunciated voice of Sgt. Spike Hilner. Spike has a witty manner which keeps the crowds in laughs. Any of the men of the community who can qualify with a good clear voice are cordially invited to be a guest number announcer one of these Sundays — particularly Charlie Kenney.

The clearing of the beach at Lake Lotela has been discussed by this writer with several prominent members of the community. It is my sincere hope that we can secure sufficient help to clear the beach so that many more can come and enjoy the crystal clear cool waters of Lake Lotela. Plans are also to build several oven-pits for private parties. When the work on this project is completed and an official opening is had, servicemen and their wives will have a beach with facilities not to be compared with any in this area.

The staff of this USO operation is cooperating and planning with the American Legion who is sponsoring an outstanding boxing card for the benefit of the American Red Cross in the USO auditorium on Friday March 31, at 8:30 P. M. We shall direct our efforts in the sale of tickets here in this community so that Avon Park can turn over a substantial sum of money to help the Red Cross in its annual drive for funds. This year the need for money for the work the Red Cross is doing is urgent, so when we approach you, asking that a ticket be purchased for our fights, be happy to contribute in helping such a worthy cause.

Sunday, March 26, at 3:00 P. M., a Baby Contest will be held in the ballroom. Servicemen and their wives are invited to drop into the club and fill out an entry blank for their off-spring. For further information as to the eligibility of the contestants please contact Miss Patricia Barry, Assistant Director.

The Feature Movie to be shown in the USO ballroom Wednesday at 8:00 P. M. is entitled "Paris Honeymoon," with Bing Crosby and Shirley Ross. A most cordial invitation is extended to those who would like to come and see this show.

GI: Do you think a girl should learn about life before twenty.

Date: Hell no; That 's too large an audience.


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He was born on a farm at Beverly, Tenn., in 1897. His father was a successful lawyer; his grandfather a Baptist preacher. He was a star athlete at Carson-Newman College and the University of Mississippi where he was still a student when he volunteered as an Army private in World War I. He was commissioned as second lieutenant of Field Artillery before the war ended. Later he finished his education with a law course at the University of Virginia.

Millard Caldwell's record of public service appears in the panel below. This record shows that Caldwell is a Leader! A Statesman! A skilled pilot for the stormy days ahead!

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Be It Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, that Notice is hereby given that an election is hereby called to be held at the same time and with the same officials of those in charge of the General Primary Election to be held in Highlands County, Florida, on the 2nd day of May 1944 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of Highlands County, Florida, whether or not two Acts of the Florida Legislature of 1943 will take effect, namely:

Chapter 22318 Special Acts of the Legislature of 1943 relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Bond Trustees at $40.00 per month for the Secretary and $30.00 per month for the other members, of Highlands County, Florida.

Chapter 21901 General Laws of Florida, 1943, relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County, Florida at $200 per year payable monthly.

The question of approval or disapproval of each of said acts will be presented on the official ballot for said Primary election. If a majority vote in favor of the adoption of the act as voted for, the same shall thence become effective. If a majority fails to vote in favor of the adoption and vote against the adoption the Act shall not take effect.

That this notice and resolution shall be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said day of election in some newspaper published in the County as may be selected by the person acting as Clerk to this Board.

Board of County Commissioners,
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Attested by
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# Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

### Two Are Hostesses to BPW Club Monday Evening

Mrs. A. B. Wilhite and Mrs Philip Boardman entertained members of the BPW Club at a delightful party at the FPC. Customers' Room Monday night. In keeping with the approach of the Easter season, a yellow and lavender motif was observed in clever detail. Bowls of lovely lavender petunias and yellow nasturtiums were placed at points of vantage.

A tempting salad course consisting of tuna fish salad, crackers, olives and coffee was served. High and second high score prizes, which were Defense Stamps, were awarded to Miss Millie Pearson and Mrs. Freed Peden.

Those enjoying the party were Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, Mrs Freed Peden, Misses Kate and Mattie Tmopkins, Mrs. T. J. McGinnis, Mrs Vera Garner, Mrs. Daisy TenEyck, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Wilhite and Mrs. Boardman.

### Jackson Circle Plans Chicken Supper For Apr. 13

The Jackson Circle of the WSCS of the First Methodist Church was entertained at the Hut on Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Hayes Maxwell and Mrs. H. C. Bigbie. Plans were made for a chicken supper to be held at the hut on Thursday evening, April 13. Mrs. G. B. Hall was named chairman of the kitchen committee, and Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, chairman of the dining room committee.

Following the meeting, delicious refreshments of cream cheese and pineapple salad, saltines, cake and coffee were served to Mrs. Harry Jackson, Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, Mrs. W. S. Martin, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. T. H. Hughs, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, Mrs. G. B. Hall, Mrs C. H. Harris, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. J. R. Bentley, Mrs. Floyd Hougaboom, and Mrs. E. R. Carter.

### Raab Circle Has Luncheon Meeting at Johnson Home

Mrs. Arthur Johnson and Mrs. C. F. Catlin were hostesses to the Raab Circle of the Methodist WS CS at the home of the former on Tulane Circle Tuesday at 12:30 o'clock. Garden flowers decorated the rooms of the home to make them most attractive for the occasion.

Mrs. Raab led the devotional and conducted the business meeting, following the delicious luncheon. The members then went to the Hut, where they joined the other cicrles in the study of the book, "For All of Life," led by Mrs. E. R. Carter.

Those enjoying the luncheon and meeting with Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Catlin were Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, Mrs. E. R. Carter, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. Laura P. Rawlings, Mrs. E. K. Phillips, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Miss Furlow Anderson, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. I. W. Chandler, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, and Mrs. Katherine Bristol.

### Camille Rowe Has Birthday Party on Tuesday

The children of Mrs. Davis' kindergarten were made happy on Tuesday when they participated in the birthday celebration of Camille Rowe, daughter of Lt. and Mrs. Harold Rowe, who was four years old on that day.

At 11 o'clock they were served delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake by Mrs. Rowe and Mrs. Davis. The birthday cake was beautifully decorated in pink and green and was topped with four pink candles. Each child received a pastel colored cup filled with candy, as a favor. Camille received a number of gifts from the kindergarten children sharing in the happiness of the occasion.

### Amanda Martin and T. L. Giddens Marry in Auburndale

Miss Amanda Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin and Harvey Giddens, son of Mrs. T. L. Giddens were married Sunday afternoon, Feb. 27 at the home of Mrs. L. M. Giddens in Auburndale. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas of Winter Haven, in the presence of relatives and a few close friends. The living room was beautifully decorated with white gladioli, pink and white snapdragons and fern.

The couple was attended by Mrs. Alice Giddens and L. M. Giddens.

The bride wore an attractive navy blue dress with white accessories and a purple orchid corsage. Mrs. Giddens dress was powder blue, with which she wore a pink rosebud corsage.

After the ceremony, an informal reception was held and the couple left for a brief wedding trip. They returned to Auburndale, where they are making their home.

### Gerrard Circle Has Supper at Hut on Tuesday

The Gerrard Circle of the Methodist WSCS entertained at a supper at the Hut at 6:30 Monday evening. Members of the circle, their husbands, and invited guests were in attendance. Early spring garden flowers decorated the tables and other arrangements were placed at vantage points about the Hut. Following the delicious supper, the evening was spent informally. Songs were sung, and Mrs. E. R. Carter gave several humorous readings.

### Sans Souci Club Enjoys Dessert Bridge on Tuesday

Miss Marie Anderson entertained members of the Sans Souci club at a lovely dessert bridge at the Customer's lounge of the FPC on Tuesday evening. Added attraction was given to the spacious room by the use of bouquets of pink roses. A dainty dessert course, composed of fruit salad, cookies, and iced drinks were served by the hostess.

Following the totaling of scores at the conclusion of several interesting progressions of bridge, high and second high score prizes were awarded to Miss Mildred Myers and Mrs. C. A. Boxall Jr. Both of the awards were Defense Stamps.

Those enjoying the evening were Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs A. B. Wilhite, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, Mrs. Viola Wilson, Mrs. C. A. Boxall Jr., Miss Verna Heim, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr., and Mrs. Freed Peden.

### Officer's Wives' Club Meets Mar. 29

Hostesses at last Officers Wives' Club meeting were Mrs. O'Conner, Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Simons. Meeting was held in Officers' Club, March 15. A short business session opened the occasion followed by bridge.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 29, with luncheon being served at the Officer's Club. Reservations may be made now for this luncheon by contacting Officers Club hostess.

### Kenneth Fortner Has Theatre Party on Birthday

Mrs. Grady Fortner entertained a number of friends of her son, Kenneth at a theatre party on Wednesday afternoon, given in honor of his tenth birthday anniversary. After enjoying the current attraction at the Park Theatre, the group went to the Palm Restaurant, where they were served delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake.

The beautiful birthday cake was decorated in pink and green, and was aglow with ten pink candles burning in green holders. Favors for the girls were hair bows, and for the boys, novelty key rings with football attached.

Kenneth received a number of gifts from the friends sharing the afternoon with him who were Lois Wightman, Catherine Howell, Barbara Byrd, Betty Rose Ford, Myra Ann Sapp, Bonnie June Little, Mickie Ware, Mel Bass, Thomas Maxwell, Kelly Green,, and his young niece, Marguerite Bryan, who was quite thrilled over attending this her first birthday party.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student council met Monday, March 20.

The council discussed the purchase of a walnut service plaque. It is to be sent on a 10-day trial to see if it is satisfactory.

The president appointed Glenn Whitcomb to be chairman of the field day committee. Garland Turnbull and Jerry Witt were appointed to plan the girl's sports. The junior and senior high school will participate in these sports.

The council discussed the suggestion of having "Student Day". The students would direct the classes on that day. It is to train the pupils to be good students.

Miss Helen Driggers, Western Union operator, has been visiting her brother, who is in the navy and stationed temporarily at Pensacola. She joined her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Driggers of Kissimmee for the trip.

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## Births

Lt. and Mrs. Woodson Sadler announce the arrival of a baby son, who was born in a hospital in Ord, California, March 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Morgan announce the arrival of Benjamin Franklin Morgan Jr., on Sunday, March 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Zur Reed of Lansing, Mich., are announcing the arrival of a baby son, Richard Allen who arrived March 14. The young man weighed nine pounds, nine ounces at birth. Mr. Reed, who is the son of Rex Reed of Avon Park, graduated from high school here, and was a member of the first class to graduate from the new high school.


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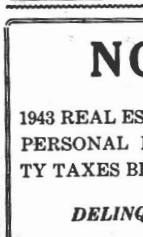


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# BLACK SOMBRERO

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT — WNU SERVICE

Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood artist, is disinherited by her father, Sam Chatfield, from an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers and Barry Madison go to Mazatlan, Mexico, to solve what they believe to be Kitty Chatfield's murder. On arrival they find that Elsa's party had preceded them by plane. Owning a fiesta at the ranch of Elsa's father, Sam Chatfield, James Chesebro is murdered. Lombardo, chief of Mexican police, questions Pedro, the pulque man, who is required to identify the slayer. Pedro, star witness, escapes during re-enactment of the murder. Search for him is made in the mountain country. Lombardo arrests Reed Barton on suspicion of murdering Chesebro.

## CHAPTER XII

"Buenos dias, senores," he said in Spanish, including the guard in his greeting. The latter saluted. Sam Chatfield reached an impulsive arm through the bars to shake hands with Reed. "I'm sorry, Barton," he said in English. "I came as soon as I heard the news. Drove in at once. There must be some mistake—unless you've confessed that you did it?"

Reed Barton grinned. "Hardly that, Mr. Chatfield. I didn't kill Chesebro."

"That's good. Have they treated you all right?"

"Very well, indeed; no complaint."

"I rather think there'll be no cause for complaint, Barton. I'll use my influence, of course. Berta and I have powerful friends, and we'll see that you are comfortable so long as you are here. Which I hope will not be long."

"Thank you, Mr. Chatfield. That's very kind of you."

Sam Chatfield thrust his short arm again through the bars and took Reed's hand in a vigorous grip. Rogers and I likewise shook hands with the prisoner, and with assurance that we would stand by him, we took our departure together with Sam Chatfield.

On the sidewalk outside, however, we separated after a brief exchange.

Hunt and I went aboard the Orizaba to discover that Dwight and Margaret were absent in the launch; the sailing master pointed it out to us well up in the Estero del Astillero, but headed back in our direction. It came eventually alongside, and Margaret and Dwight climbed up the ladder to the deck.

"No luck!" said Margaret wearily, looking up to see the two of us leaning over the rail. "Dwight's little playmate ran away from us."

"I'll say he ran away from us. No strike; no sign; no anything. Saw him break water just once. This is no place, of course, to go fishing for marlin. I guess that particular one wandered into the bay by mistake."

He stepped upon the deck and leaned his rod against the rail. It was Margaret who detected something unusual in our manner.

"What's happened?" she demanded. Dwight looked sharply at us at her question as if to discover the reason for it.

"Any new development — about last night?" he inquired.

"Rather an awkward development —for Reed Barton," Rogers replied, rubbing the side of his large nose with a forefinger.

"What? Tell us."

"Reed's in jail, charged with the murder of Chesebro."

Rogers hastened to explain why Reed Barton was in jail, giving them an account of our search for Pedro, the pulque seller, and our visit to Lombardo.

"Oh, I'm so sorry!" exclaimed Margaret when he was done. "That's bad luck. I wonder what Elsa thinks about it."

"I don't know whether she knows it or not," I said. "Sam Chatfield didn't say, when we were talking with him."

"We'll find out, of course, when Elsa comes on board this afternoon," said Margaret. "We're really going fishing tomorrow, you know—"

A hail from the water drew us to the ladder, and Margaret, who was closest, waved both arms in welcome, and called out excitedly:

"Oh, hello! So glad you could come. But—why didn't we send the launch for you? Why, we could just as well as not. I'm sorry."

Greetings from several voices below responded, and, looking over the rail, I discovered a boat containing Berta and Elsa, and on the seat behind them Sam Chatfield and George Rumble, the latter wearing his black sombrero with its silver trimming which glittered in the afternoon sun.

"It's Reed, of course," Elsa said dispiritedly in answer to my comment as I gave her a hand at the top of the ladder.

"We'll have him out in no time," I comforted her.

"That's what Papa says too, but I'm afraid, Barry."

To what lengths of extravagant promise I might have gone at that moment I'll never know, for with a sudden, bewildering sound of breaking water, a huge silvery dark fish leaped from the bay not fifty feet from the Orizaba's sleek sides, soared almost even with the rail in its mighty leap and fell back with a resounding crash. I could hear the clop of his gills, so close was he; almost, I fancied, I could smell him.

"Come on, fishermen!" shouted Dwight, making for the ladder. The rowboat had sheered off, its native owner rowing as if for his life, and those of us now intent upon the pursuit poured into the launch, across which the occupants of the rowboat but a few moments before had had to clamber to reach the Orizaba's ladder.

The launch had been rigged for swordfishing. Two leather-cushioned swivel chairs were mounted side by side in the stern of the boat. There were seats behind these for those not engaged in trying for marlin, or who were content to fish over the side. Sam Chatfield had climbed into the seat beside Dwight. He was endeavoring to disengage a rod rigged with heavy tackle which lay alongside on the floor. I helped him with it. George Rumble sat beside me, his huge black sombrero crushed down upon his round skull, so that it would clear the awning overhead.

Dwight glanced up, his outfit ready, and for the first time looked about to see who had come along with him. He recognized Sam Chat-



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field at his side and smiled, then became solicitous of his welfare.

"Are you comfortable, Sam?" he asked.

"Oh, yes; quite."

Dwight half rose. "Take this seat, Sam. I think it is the better of the two."

"No, thank you, Dwight. I prefer this side. As a matter of fact, I'm going to ask you now if I may sit here tomorrow on our little jaunt up the coast."

"You certainly may, Sam. Take whichever side is most convenient for you."

Rumble removed his huge black sombrero to let the breeze cool his head; his dark oily hair lay close to his round skull. He dropped the hat at our feet where it lay beside a small wrench. Rumble eyed the latter for a moment, then picked it up and turned it thoughtfully about in his hands. Sam Chatfield finished baiting the huge number twelve hook at the end of its steel wire leader, took a firm grasp on his rod and made a cast, sinking back into his chair, which creaked under the strain.

My gaze for the moment was on George Rumble; there was an odd look in his eyes. He was not interested in the cast; his attention seemed to center upon the straining swivel mechanism underneath Sam Chatfield's seat. His gaze came back to the wrench in his hands. He turned it about, then of a sudden dropped it beside his sombrero as if the metal had suddenly become hot.

Looking back on that evening ashore in Mazatlan, I now can see how freighted it was with tragedy, but it began and ended, apparently, as only a gay adventure. Berta and Margaret remained on board the Orizaba; Elsa, George Rumble and I went ashore together in the launch. Dwight, Rogers and Sam Chatfield had not been ready to go with us, and the launch returned for them.

Elsa had only one purpose, and that to go to the jail to see Reed Barton. She kept pushing us along until finally Rumble halted at a street corner and said, "Look here, I'm not so keen on visiting that gay dawn at the jail."

"You don't have to go if you don't want to," Elsa retorted. "That guy probably isn't interested in seeing you, either."

"That settles it, sweetheart," Rumble replied in his husky voice. "Nothing like speaking your mind. I'll see you later."

"Where?" demanded Elsa.

"How do I know? I'm going to the hotel and get my things together, Margaret's orders. See you on the boat, anyhow, if not before."

Rumble stood on the street corner, a curious figure in a yet more curious throng of native life.

"Goodby," said Elsa.

"Goodby, sweetheart."

The jail, standing in all its mediocrity close by the church, its scaling, cracked, pseudo-Gothic exterior softened now by the night's warm shadows, seemed less an eyesore than in the hard light of the sun.

"Elsa," I began, halting on the steps, "perhaps I'd better take you over to the hotel, and I'll call on Reed myself—"

"Don't be silly," she said, advancing through the doorway with such precipitate energy that the splendid creature preening his mustaches leaped nimbly to one side to avoid being run down.

But there was no Reed Barton in the jail. Elsa did not at first comprehend the information which was offered in response to our inquiry, and neither did I.

"Por que no?" she demanded in Spanish of the jail guard.

"El hombre no esta aqui," the man replied. "No se por que no."

"I hope they haven't taken him out and shot him," Elsa said, turning to me, an odd light in her gray eyes, which were now round with apprehension. "They do things like that."

"Forget it," I said. "Your father's influence probably got him out. Donde esta al hombre?" I inquired of the guard who in reply merely shrugged his shoulders, indicating that he had no idea where Reed was to be found.

We made our way to the plaza where I hoped the old, old Mexican custom once more was being exhibited. But when we arrived only a handful of youthful caballeros encircled the kiosk, and a smaller number of senoritas were moving slowly, leisurely in the opposite direction. One caballero, bolder than the rest, halted before his favorite and with a bow presented her with a flower. Round and round they went, while the band played the arias of "La Boheme." Motor cars were parked at the curb, a haven of parental refuge for any senorita who grew weary.

"I've seen this before," said Elsa after we had watched it for some moments. "I never realized until now, though, but I've been doing this same thing for years. Every girl has. Parading myself, my body, my soul, all that makes up the pitiful little me, hoping for the approval of some gay caballero."

"Your gay caballero stands on your right against the trunk of that tree."

"Where?" Her head jerked sharply in the direction I indicated. Reed Barton stood leaning lightly, easily, against the tree as he gazed at the scene in the plaza. He pulled his watch from his pocket and looked at it, unmindful that we were near by. Elsa left me instantly and flew to greet him, and I walked over more sedately to congratulate him on his release.

"Elsa had visions of your being stood against a wall at dawn and dying romantically to the rattle of musketry," I said.

"Really?" He grinned, pocketing his watch.

"Don't mind what he says," Elsa implored him.

"But how did it happen, Reed?" I asked.

"It was just one of those things," he said. "They came and opened the door to the cage and said to the bird within, 'Fly away, my sweet,' and I flew away to freedom."

"As simple as that!" said Elsa with a sarcastic note in her voice.

"What I think happened was that they discovered I was not just a peon who could be thrown into jail and forgotten. Perhaps your father helped, Elsa; perhaps the consul had something to do with it. Anyway, it's nice to be out. Neither your father will accept my thanks, nor the consul; 'twas a mere nothing. Glad to do it, and all that. Saw your father down the street a while ago, Elsa."

"He was coming ashore—Oh—you're going with us tomorrow."

"Where and what?"

"Fishing. You'll have to come aboard tonight with your things; we're leaving early. And now—" She halted, a wistful look in her level gray eyes. "Isn't there a dance going on somewhere tonight, Reed? Can't we dance and be romantic?"

"Oh, sure. There's a dance at the Hotel Belmar tonight. Come along and observe the flower of Mexican youth. You'll see something! These little kids here in the plaza with their hand-me-downs and New York models are a bit tawdry. The newer youth of Mexico is elsewhere. Coming, Barry?"

"Of course not!"

Later I looked in upon the dancers. Reed Barton was right; the flower of Mazatlan was present. Youth, in any land, of course, is synonymous with beauty, but here it was to be found in extraordinary measure.

I looked on for a while entranced, then wandered away. There was a crowd in the bar, and I stood for a while drinking the excellent beer. I wondered where Rogers was, where he had gone, and presently he came in and joined me.

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## Britain's Swordfish

*By Scott Newhall*

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Though most Americans wouldn't believe their eyes if they saw it, the plane known as the Fairey Swordfish is one of the mainstays of Britain's Fleet Air Arm.

Every time a Swordfish goes roaring down the flight deck of a carrier and claws its way aloft, the pageant of man's conquest of the air is lived again for a few tense seconds. For, to the casual spectator, a Swordfish flying off to battle in this war looks about as efficient and dangerous as a crossbowman on his way to tackle a squad of Commandos.

A Swordfish is a large, gangling biplane. It would fit comfortably into any movie sequence of the period 1917-1918. The wings and fuselage are covered with fabric, which in originally painted to shaden range from gray to blue, but because every Swordfish invariably has a light rash of patches on its skin, the general result is a sort of mottled shade.

The patches are the result of a curious hazard in a Swordfish's life. After some service, the fabric becomes brittle, and curious visitors find that their fingers inadvertently punch holes in the wing surface. Also, in a dive or tight turn, the fabric covering sometimes flutters in an unpleasant, nervous fashion.

Fleet Air Arm pilots, both in affection and alarm, call these planes Stringbags.

The space between the two wings is pretty well filled with struts and wires and such, and back by the tail a lot of wires come out of the fuselage and run to the control surfaces. The fuselage itself is a long, narrow structure. The three open cockpits start immediately behind the leading edge of the upper wing, the pilot in the first, the observer in the second, the aerial gunner in the last. So the Swordfish looks and sometimes acts like something out of a mail-order catalogue.

**Aerial Ride and Seek.**

Yet, regularly, stories come back on how these planes can muddle through. For example, in the Norway campaign a Stringbag from the Ark Royal found itself on the business end of a Heinkel 111. The Swordfish, however, came back to its carrier with nothing worse than a slight case of dizziness aboard. The pilot merely dived down on a Norwegian mountain and then flew in tight circles around it. The Heinkel couldn't cut corners so sharply, so he finally gave up and flew away.

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# Washington Digest

## Anti-Fascists in Italy Lack Uniform Program

### Immediate Circumstances Necessitate Allied Cooperation With King and Badoglio As Leaders of Only Unified Group.



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How can the Allied governments, the Allied armies, sworn to defend the cause of democracy, continue to deal with Italy's Fascist king and Marshal Badoglio and refuse to recognize the anti-Fascist conference of political parties recently organized at a meeting held in Bari, Italy?

The so-called "junta of the Committees of Liberation" named following the Bari conference, telegraphed to members of the British house of commons a message which contained this passage:

"Here Fascism, at first confused and fearful, has taken courage. It has assumed a mask and has rallied around the crown. Affecting a friendship which is too recent to be sincere, it has attempted to distort the judgment of your political and military officials. Once more oppressing our people as it has always done, it is putting all manner of legal and illegal obstacles in the way of any genuine popular initiative which tries to render more efficient and serious the contribution of liberated Italy to the war against the Germans."

Addressing the Bari conference, Italian Sen. Benedetto Croce had said:

"It is a fact that the waning prestige of the king and the lack of confidence in him prevent the king himself from rallying an Italian army; he himself, fearing the opposition against his person, has prohibited the formation of an army of volunteers. Many young men who came to me from German-occupied territory full of enthusiasm were forced to disband, disappointment in their hearts, because they did not find anyone to rally them and give them the opportunity to fight."

Those statements seem forthright and fair. After reading them, I was not surprised when a fairly important but not "fairly" informed person said to me:

"The Allies are lined up with the Fascists in Italy. Is that what we are fighting for?"

That seems to me a typical attitude, and one that the average man reflects when he considers the sorway campaign a Stringbag from the Ark Royal found itself on the business end of a Heinkel 111. The Swordfish, however, came back to its carrier with nothing worse than a slight case of dizziness aboard. The pilot merely dived down on a Norwegian mountain and then flew in tight circles around it. The Heinkel couldn't cut corners so sharply, so he finally gave up and flew away.

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Another point Churchill made should be noted for later comment:

"Should we succeed in the present battle and enter Rome—as I trust and believe we shall—we shall be free to review the whole Italian political position and we shall do so with many advantages which we do not possess at the present time."

One more Churchill quote before I try to present the American viewpoint:

"I should be sorry, however, to see an unsettling change made at a time when the battle is at its climax, swaying to and fro. When you have to hold a hot coffee pot, it is better not to break off the handle until you are sure that you can get another equally convenient and serviceable, or at least that you will find a dishcloth handy."

So much for the shadowy outlines of the defense.

Let me give you now, from my notebook, in the order in which I took it down, the story as told to me by one "who ought to know."

"At the Bari conference, there were a number of parties which seemed to agree, but they failed to offer a concrete program or one that there was any firm guarantee would receive unified support. In war, we cannot guess, we must know. There is no definitely established leadership among the anti-Fascists.

"We know there is no future for any leadership under the king and Badoglio. But we must operate in the present, not the future. At present, there is but one unified group, small or large, loved or hated as it may be, and that is the government which surrendered to the Allies, under King Victor Emmanuel.

***Must Be Realists***

"We have to be realists now, and what is more, military realists. As Churchill said, what the Allies need are Italians ready and able to fight Germans. Such a group exists. Italians are fighting side by side with Americans and British. Although the Italian fleet has not been called to action, it surrendered without resistance. The Italian officers on duty are still loyal to the symbol (the king) to which they made their oath. We are perfectly willing, we are anxious, that they transfer their new democratic symbol. But until they do get a new symbol to which the majority of Italians can adhere, we are not going to throw away the old."

(Churchill's coffee pot.)

So much for what seems to be the Allies' viewpoint with my added unofficial, but none-the-less I believe, authentic, interpretation. But there is something more that no official would dare whisper. It is the problem which the Allies know they are going to face in every re-occupied country. Italy is a sample. It is something unpleasant but something we must face.

I understand that the Italian people in the liberated regions have not been inimical to the Americans. But they are starving, cold and hungry. They cannot understand why these strong young soldiers, who have freed them, do not feed them. The trucks go by loaded with munitions and supplies. Some food has been distributed. Not enough. To feed all the people would mean halting military operations while the Germans made hay in the sunshine of our charity.

The present Italian government has still some discipline over the people; it is brutal, perhaps, but effective. A new government which really expressed the people's will today would have to demand food, would increase the pressure on the Allies for supplies that they cannot spare while they are fighting for their lives. That is another realistic, military reason for the policy of the Allies.

And, unfortunately, that is something that the Allies can expect to face as more and more European territory is liberated. The liberated people cannot be blamed if resentment that they do not receive more, wipes out the gratitude for the modicum that military men can spare. Armies cannot be idealistic.

And armies or governments at war which support them, cannot be very much ideologists. It is too bad. But it is likewise only too true.

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

Civilians will get more coffee, chocolate and cocoa in 1944 than in 1943, according to the War Food administration.

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Because more batteries are needed for walkie-talkies, bazookas, signal lights and other war equipment, there is little chance for an increased supply for civilians this year, according to the WPB.

Ten thousand new passenger automobiles and 7,500 new bicycles will be available under rationing to civilians in March—the same quotas as those for February.

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SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER
Authorities expect that Latin-American countries will contribute 25 to 40 thousand tons of crude rubber during 1944. In 1941 the U. S. and Canada used 980,000 tons of rubber, and normal requirements are larger.
The Quartermaster Corps has developed a rubber and canvas Army boot for frostbite wear. The sole contains both crude and reclaimed rubber, and is not affected by jungle moisture and oil chemicals.
Over seven billion passengers were transported by motor bus in 1943, an increase of 15% over about four and a half billion in 1940, reflecting the curtailment of passenger car use by rubber conservation.
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# Friendly 'Enemies'

**Technically, the United States of America and the Seminole Indians are at war. Seminole chiefs repudiated a treaty made in 1832 calling for removal of the whole tribe to Oklahoma.**



Most of the tribe went to Oklahoma, but the diehards remained in the Florida everglades and have never formally made peace with the United States. Now, however, descendants of these diehards are doing a valuable bit for America's war program. Braves and their squaws are fighting a production battle in the heart of the everglades on 3,000 acres that will be used to produce quality beef.

*Left: Head of the Seminole village at Clewiston, Fla., is Josie Billie, who speaks fluent English.*



*Wearing her traditional costume, with the usual bead necklace, Ruby Jumper distributes corn grass over the pasture land. This is her first job outside of keeping house in a wigwam.*

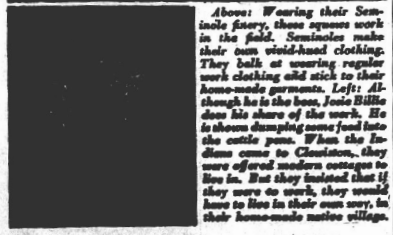
According to a sugar company, which is employing the Seminoles, they are doing a good job on the company's pasture improvement program, which is expected to produce 1,500,000 pounds of dressed quality beef annually. Employment of the Indians leaves that many more persons free to work on sugar cultivation.



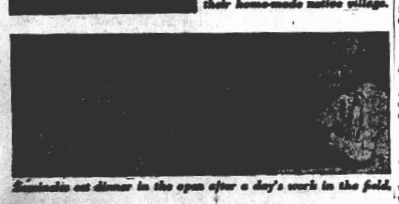
*Top Right: Josie Billie hands Henry Osceola a work slip that shows Henry's earnings. Below: A Seminole grandmother watches over a brood of young ones.*





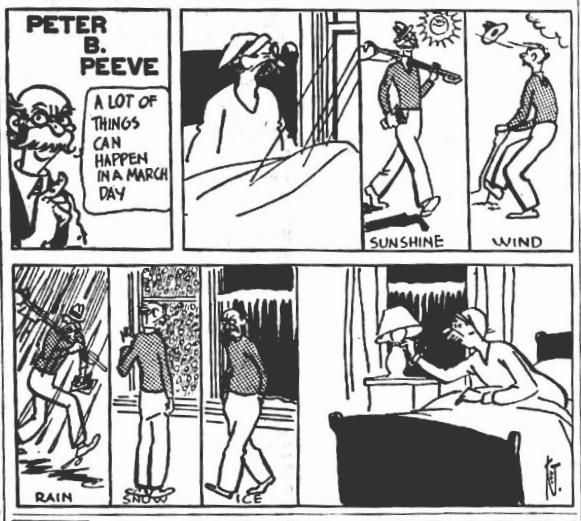



*Above: Wearing their Seminole finery, these squaws work in the field. Seminoles make their own vivid-hued clothing. They balk at wearing regular work clothing and stick to their home-made garments. Left: Although he is the boss, Josie Billie does his share of the work. He is shown dumping some food into the cattle pen. When the Indians came to Clewiston, they were offered modern cottages to live in. But they insisted that if they were to work, they would have to live in their own way, in their home-made native village.*



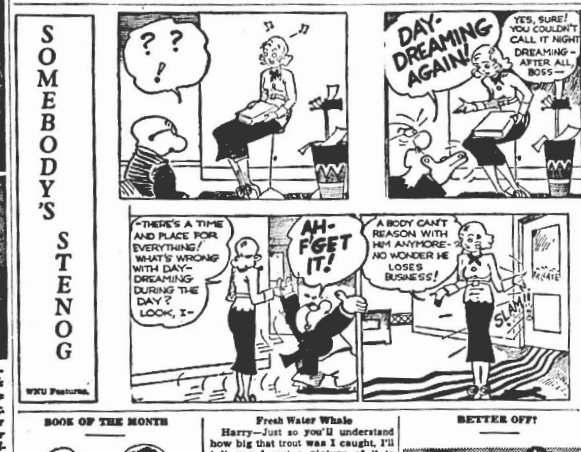
*Seminoles eat dinner in the open after a day's work in the field.*

# • OUR COMIC SECTION •










**BOOK OF THE MONTH**



Him—I suppose you read Shakespeare?

Her—Oh, sure. I read every one of his books as soon as they come out!

**Thanks for Nothing!**

Mac—So Mabel returned your engagement ring?

Jack—Yeah, she mailed it to me. And she had the nerve to put a label on the package: Glass—handle with care!

**Light Touch!**

Housewife—Hulga! Hulga, what was that terrible crash I just heard?

Maid—I'm sorry, Ma'am, but I was just accidentally dusting and I wiped the legs off the piano!

**Fresh Water Whale**

Harry—Just so you'll understand how big that trout was I caught, I'll tell you I sent a picture of it to Bob Ripley.

Jerry—So what does that prove?

Harry—He sent it back. On the back was written, "I don't believe it!"

**That's the Rub!**

Jones—I don't like that new masseur in the Turkish bath.

Smith—What's wrong with him?

Jones—He rubs me the wrong way!

**Try It Yourself!**

Bill—Can you say "What am I doing?" in four different ways?

Will—Sure. What am I doing? What am I DOING? What AM I doing? WHAT am I doing?

Bill—Making a fool of yourself!

**Light Fingered!**

Jones—Do you think that fellow down the street is crooked?

Smith—Crooked! He's so crooked I count my fingers every time I shake hands with him!

**BETTER OFF!**



Hubby—You didn't have a rag on your back when I married you!

Wifey—Well, I've plenty of them now!

**Miles to the Gallon**

Bill—You mean to say that with gas rationing the way it is, you traveled from coast to coast in your car?

Will—Sure, I coast down one hill, get towed up the next and then coast again.

**Servant Problem No. 999**

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Mandy—Well, ma'am, dat done show Ah ain' got no guilty conscience!

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CADETS RECEIVE AWARDS — Major L. E. Richardson, and Capt. F. C. Groves, extreme right, prepare to present merit awards to A viation Cadets at graduation exercises at Lodwick Academy Tuesday.

## *Massey Resigns; Rutledge Promoted*

R. S. Massey, who was recently accepted for military service, resigned his position as chief of police effective March 15th, and is awaiting his call for induction. Meanwhile, he is a candidate for nomination to the office of constable in the May primary. Acting Chief H. C. Rutledge has been assigned as chief.

### MR. DILLEY IN ORLANDO HOSPITAL

Harry Dilley, who is confined to a hospital in Orlando, is improving, according to word from Mrs. Dilley today, and which will be good news to his many Avon Park friends. Mrs. Dilley is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Spink in Orlando, whom they were visiting when Mr. Dilley became ill and was taken to the hospital.

### ATTEND DEDICATION

A group of thirty-five members of the First Baptist Church were in Arcadia Sunday afternoon to attend the program and dedication of the $20,000 organ at the First Baptist Church, which is a memorial to Emma Marie Vance, given by her mother, Mrs. Bate Vance, who is well known in Avon Park.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Lloyd A. and Emma Jean Zorn, 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. 813
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: Lots 9 and 10, Block 5 McAuley's addition Per Plat 1, Pages 47 & 48, in Section 31, Township 34 South, Range 28 East.
Name in which assessed J. G. Beardsley.

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

Unless such certificate 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 April, 1944, which is the 3rd day of April, 1944.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk

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Certificate No. 815
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: NW¼ of NE¼, of NW¼, & NE¼ of NW¼ of NW¼ of Section 34, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, 20 acres.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

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(SEAL)

March 3, 10, 17, 24.

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Certificate No. 816
Year of Issuance: 1938
Description of Property: NE¼ of NE¼ of NW¼ Section 34, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, 10 Acres.
Name in which assessed — Unknown.

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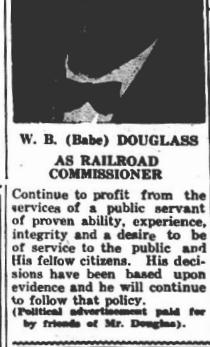


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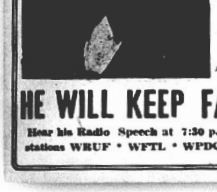


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## *Mrs. Walter Martin Re-elected President Legion Auxiliary*

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. John H. Hood Monday evening, when the report of the nominating committee was presented. Mrs. Walter S. Martin was re-elected president; Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, vice president; Mrs. Alice Sherman, secretary; Mrs. Ed Welch, treasurer; Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, chaplain; Mrs. Demos Mandis, sergeant at arms; Mrs. W. H. McCarthy, historian. These officers will be installed at a later meeting.

Members decided to continue the annual award of a medal to the outstanding eighth grade girl, as selected by the faculty, and Mrs. Demos Mandis, emblems, trophies and awards chairman was instructed to order the medal and certificate.

The containers that have been placed at several points about town for the Clubmobile fund were gathered and brought to the meeting by the president. The total amount collected was most gratifying to the auxiliary. The money will be sent to national headquarters, where it will be given for the maintenance of Clubmobiles in the war areas. The Clubmobile, under the supervision of the American Red Cross goes right into the front lines and dispenses coffee, doughnuts, cigarettes, etc to the service men.

During the social hour, the hostess served delicious refreshments of homemade cake and coffee to those present who were Mrs. Mary Holcomb, Mrs. Walter S. Martin, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs. H. R. Currie, Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, Mrs. John H. Hood, Mrs. W. H. McCarthy, Mrs Demos Mandis, and Mrs. W. M. Hetherington.

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FOR SALE — Young, gentle Jersey cow with first calf. Cheap. Anne Whiteside, Zolfo, Fla.

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LOST OR STRAYED — Brindle Boston bull terrier. Answers to name of Major. If found, please return to First Sgt. R. W. Paden Jr., 3 E. LaGrand St.

FOR SALE — House and lot. 36 Glenwood Ave. Jim Amos, Box 34. 1tpd.

$950 BUYS — A five room bungalow, bath. Pay as rent. Lake front furnished bungalow $500 cash, balance rent. Your opportunity. McCorkle, 225 Tulane Circle. Call today. 1tpd.

WANTED TO BUY — Camera, any type, special request from son overseas. Phone 271 after 6:00 P. M.

LOST — Billfold containing papers and identification. Value, only to owner. Finder keep money and return billfold and other contents to address inclosed inside. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — Choice lot or lots on Tulane Circle. Planted in shrubbery and fruit trees. Splendid site for home. Mrs. M. S. Swearingen. Mar. 24-31.

STEADY WORK — Get established in a business of your own. Earnings start immediately. Well known company has an opening in Avon Park for the right man or woman. Write The J. R. Watkins Company, 72-80 W. Iowa, Memphis 2, Tennessee.

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TRAILER FOR SALE — In first class condition, good tires. Inquire Mrs. Leroy Hilton at Avalon Grill, or call at trailer park after six. 1tpd.

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OF INTENTION TO DISSOLVE THE FOLLOWING CORPORATIONS LISTED BELOW, WHICH CORPORATIONS WERE INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF FLORIDA, AND ARE DELINQUENT FOR THREE (3) YEARS OR MORE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 16077, 1931, OF 1931, AS AMENDED, LAWS OF FLORIDA.

Notice is hereby given under the provisions of Chapter 16208, Acts of 1933, Laws of Florida, to each of the Corporations listed below, the same being incorporated under the Laws of Florida that according to the records of the Secretary of State each and every of such corporations appear delinquent for three (3) years or more in the filing of reports and payment of taxes under the provisions of Chapter 16077, Acts of 1931, Laws of Florida, and that more than three (3) months from the date of this publication each and every of said corporations listed below that have not in the meantime filed their reports due and paid all taxes due under the provisions of Chapter 16077, Acts of 1931, Laws of Florida, will be certified to the Governor who will issue a proclamation at that time dissolving said corporations.

| NAME | HIGHLANDS COUNTY PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS |
|---|---|
| The Highland Lakes Hotel, Inc. | Avon Park |
| Lake Byrd Processing Company | Avon Park |
| The Maxcy Gregg Company | Sebring |
| Maxcy Securities, Inc. | Sebring |
| Norton's Drug Store, Inc. | Sebring |
| Sebring Grove Corporation | Sebring |
| Sebring Motor Company, Inc. | Sebring |
| Tropical Securities, Inc. | Sebring |

It is further directed that a copy of this notice be published one time in the Scenic Highlands Sun, a newspaper published in Highlands County, Florida, in which county the home office of the above listed corporation is shown to be located.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the 8th day of March A. D. 1944.

R. A. GRAY
SECRETARY OF STATE

(SEAL)

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# Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

### FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. C. (SHORTY) LONG

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DIMBERLINE

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to 1944.

DAN YOUNG

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

### FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce for the office of Judge of the County Judge's Court, subject to May 2 Primary election. If elected, I will observe court hours; I will exercise diligence in the dispatch of business; I will be patient and courteous; I will judge the causes of all persons uprightly and impartially; I will uphold the law.

S. COLQUITT PARDEE

### FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

### FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announced opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

### FOR CONSTABLE,

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primaries May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

WILEY SAULS

### FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

### FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

### FOR STATE SENATOR

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war period for them. And as men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare of you as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER

# THE SUN

SUNNY HIGHLANDS

VOLUME XIX--NUMBER 20 — AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1944 — THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 — THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 22, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1942



Any comma you can give for our topping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.


## Our Men In The Service

Pvt. Eugene Martin has returned to the army hospital at Longview, Texas, after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Martin. Pvt. Martin was returned to the states for treatment, after serving overseas with his unit.

The Purple Heart, awarded to Pfc. Robert E. Bowman, for wounds in action, was received this week by his sister, Mrs. Tom G. Landrum. In writing his sister when he sent her his Purple Heart award, Pfc. Bowman said, since being out of the hospital, where he was confined for two months for treatment, he had been guarding German prisoners of war.

Russell Childs, in writing the Marines the South Pacific, has been promoted to Machinists Mate, second class, according to a letter received by Mrs. Childs this week.

Cadet Desmond Roberts, who has completed his primary training in Caldwell, Idaho, has been transferred to Santa Ana, California. He will be assigned from there to an airbase to begin his primary training for the army air corps.

Mrs. J. L. Wells is in receipt of a letter from her brother, Lieut. Ray D. Lohr, pilot on a B-17 in England, in which he tells her that he and Lt. Julius Blake had "shouted each other," and were planning on spending their next pass together. They were about 60 miles apart, he wrote. Lt. Blake has since been reported missing in action. Lt. Lohr wrote that his ship "The Dragon Lady" had recently gone out on a raid, "but somebody else was flying it," and came back so badly shot up, it had to be salvaged. His bombardier went on a raid with another group, which was shot down, and he is now a prisoner of war, he wrote. He says that the food is good, and the people are very good to them. Lt. Lohr, well known in Avon Park, where he has often visited his sister and family, was formerly stationed at Hendricks Field.

Pvt. Arthur Crews, who left March 30 for Fort McPherson, Ga., has been transferred to Keesler Field, Miss., according to word received today by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Stebbins.

J. W. Hamilton of the Maritime Service, has just returned to the states, after a five months trip, that carried him to many countries. Among the countries he was in were Sicily, Italy, Africa, Egypt, Arabia, Persia, and India. His ship got out to Australia, and distributed it to the theatres of war. He is spending some time here at his home, while awaiting a new assignment.

Aviation Cadet Vernon Lanier returned Tuesday to his base at Hutchinson, Kansas, after spending a leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier. He expects to be assigned to either Corpus Christi or Pensacola for his basic and primary training.

Lt. Marcel D. Reddick, co-pilot on a B-24, who has been based at Salt Lake City, has been transferred to Pueblo, California. He was formerly stationed at Tyndall Field, Panama City, Florida. Lt. Reddick writes his parents that his crew is a fine bunch, and that he is the oldest, except one enlisted man. "However," he writes, don't get the idea they are babies, the youngest is 21, and he is the pilot." A coincidence, he writes is that they are all about the same size; all have blonde hair and blue eyes. He thinks the Pueblo Army Airbase, where he is stationed with his replacement training unit, is a fine place, and says he has three months of hard work ahead.

Pvt. Bill Croft, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Croft, left Friday for Camp Reynolds, Pa., where he is stationed, after a visit here. Bill, who had been confined to the base hospital at Camp Reynolds with pneumonia, came home on furlough, following his release from the hospital. He became ill again while visiting relatives in Tampa, and was admitted to MacDill hospital, where he has been a patient for several weeks.

Miss Virgie Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harris, has enlisted in the Nurse's Corps of the U. S. Army, and is awaiting call for assignment. Miss Harris, who has been spending the past several months with her parents, was formerly on the nurses' staff at Bellevue hospital, New York.

Leon Shoemaker, pharmacists mate, second class, U. S. navy is now in destination unknown. However, he writes that he is just getting over the mumps. "Duck" as he is familiarly known by his many friends, was formerly stationed at Norman, Oklahoma for some time.

Pvt. William J. Heim, who has been stationed at Ft. George Meade, Md., was recently awarded the sharpshooters medal for proficiency with carbine. His new address is c/o Postmaster, N. Y.

## Julius Blake Is Missing Over Germany

### War Department Confirms Facts in Wife's Letter

Lieutenant Julius Blake, pilot of a B-17 Flying Fortress, has been missing in action, since a raid over Germany March 4, according to word from the War Department received Friday by his wife, Mrs. Evelyn Martin Blake.

Previous to this notice, Mrs. Blake had received a letter on March 16, written by her husband before he left on a mission. He left the twelve-page letter with a fellow officer, requesting him to send it on to his wife if he failed to return. The letter was mailed to her on March 6.

"We just live from day to day," he wrote, "I am writing you this letter because I don't know if I'll be here tomorrow or the next day. But whatever happens, I want you to know that if it is humanly possible, I'll come back home. Don't give up until the war is over. There are so many things that can happen."

Lt. Blake was graduated from Lakeland high school, and entered the service on his 20th birthday, March 3, 1942. He received his primary and basic training in the army air corps at Thunderbird Field, Phoenix, Arizona, and Marana, Ariz. He received his advanced training and wings at Stockton Field, Cal., and was commissioned a second lieutenant there June 22. He was first stationed in Mexico. He had been overseas since last December, and was expecting a promotion to first lieutenant, and award of the air medal. The last letter received by Mrs. Blake, before the one forwarded her, was written on March 3, the day before his 28th birthday.

Lt. Blake son of Mrs. Esther M. Blake of Miami, and Miss Evelyn Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Martin, were married in 1937. He was district sales manager of the Eli Witt Cigar company before entering the service, and they made their home in Lakeland.

Lt. Blake's brother, Lt. Thomas L. Blake, is a bombardier navigator on a B-26 in Italy. He has been overseas 11 months. Their mother, Mrs. Esther Blake, has given up her job at the trainee testing section of the Miami air depot and enlisted in the WACS.

Mrs. Julius Blake has been making her home here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Martin, and her sister, Mrs. Devon Reddick, whose husband, Captain Reddick is stationed in Hawaii.

## Walter Faircloth Died Friday of Heart Attack

Walter Calvin Faircloth, 24, died suddenly at his home at 2:00, o'clock Friday afternoon of a heart attack. He had complained of feeling badly during the night, and had stayed home from work on Friday, but his condition was not thought to be serious.

Funeral arrangements have not been made, pending word from relatives.

Mr. Faircloth was born April 3, 1919. He was engaged in grove work and was employed by John Giddens. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Faircloth died just three weeks ago. He was a member of the Southside Baptist Church.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Mrs. Lois Shirley Faircloth; a two year old son, Ronald; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Faircloth, Manatee; two brothers, Carl Faircloth, U. S. Army, Nebraska; Elmer, Manatee; and two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Norman, Tennessee, and Mrs. Lester Webb of Manatee.

## Fish and Game Club to Have Fish Fry Thursday

The Highlands County Fish and Game Club will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 at the club house. A fish fry has been promised by the committee in charge of food.

President M. G. Whitcomb reports that I. N. Kennedy, secretary of the State Fish and Game Commission and L. J. Bruce, commissioner for this district will be present.

Much work has been done and is being done at the club house and surrounding area. Fry has been placed in the pools in the last few weeks. All members and friends of the club are urged to be present.

## Missing In Action



LT. JULIUS BLAKE
B-17 pilot, reported missing following a raid over Germany.

## Lykes Brothers Offer College Scholarships

Lyke Brothers Incorporated of Tampa, Florida have generously provided a scholarship for Highlands County, to be known as "Lipscomb G. Lykes Scholarship," on which the company will pay $500.00 per year to the one holding the scholarship toward his or her expenses in pursuing his or her education in an institution of higher learning. It is intended that only one scholarship shall be in effect at one time and that the student holding the same shall receive the benefits thereof for not exceeding four consecutive years, provided such student continues his or her studies in an institution of higher learning and makes satisfactory grades.

It is desired that the applicant be permitted to select the course of study that he or she will pursue, and also select the institution of higher learning, either in or out of the state, which he or she will attend.

A competitive examination will be held in the office of the county school superintendent in Sebring on April 8, 1944, beginning at 9:00 A. M.

The scholarship is available to the young man or young woman makes the highest grade on examination. The minimum educational training must be equal to the graduation from a Senior High school. The applicant must furnish a doctor's certificate of physical fitness. Also two certificates of good moral character. The applicant's parents must be bonafide residents of Highlands County. The examination will be conducted by the county superintendent assisted by a supervising principal of a high school in the county.

The examination questions will be furnished by the State Department of Education and all examination papers will be mailed to a special committee appointed by the State Department to correct same. This committee will notify the county superintendent of the successful competitor. A list of competitors will be filed in the office of the county superintendent and the successful competitor shall be recorded in the Minutes of the Board of Public Instruction.

**State Scholarships**

Col. F. N. K. Bailey calls attention to the fact that the State of Florida is giving two state scholarships worth $200.00 annually. One is for a girl who will enter the Florida State College for Women and the other for a boy who would enter the Florida University.

If the winner makes a good record at either college they may hold this scholarship for four years. Anyone who is 16 years of age and who is a high school graduate or who is now in the senior class and will graduate this year, may compete for these scholarships.

Any one who graduated a few years ago at a recognized high school, may compete.

The examination will take place also on April 8, beginning at 9 a. m. in the county superintendent's office. Applicants must present a doctor's certificate certifying that they are in good health and two other certificates from reputable citizens testifying as to their good character. They must be bona fide citizens of Highlands county.

On the same date at 2 p. m., the examination of the Constitution of the United States will be given for those who wish to take it.

Any one interested may consult the Supervising Principal of his school.

## E. A. DeLaney Returns Home After Completing 25 Missions

Tech.-Sgt. E. A. DeLaney, a B-17 radio-gunner, who has been on combat duty with the Eighth Air Force in England, arrived home this afternoon and will spend a 20-day leave with his parents, Mayor and Mrs. E. A. DeLaney and family.

Sgt. DeLaney earned his trip home after completing 25 combat missions over Europe, among them some of the heaviest bombing assaults of the war. He took part in the big Schweinfurt raid, when Flying Forts knocked out Hitler's main ball bearing plant, at the cost of 60 U. S. planes. Luckily his ship made the round trip, and he was later sent back for another crack at the same target. He participated in raids on Frankfurt, Bremen and Leipzig, to mention only a few of the major bombing missions. He has been in England since last September.

For his participation in these outstanding achievements, he was awarded the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

A remarkable fact is that all of his crew finished their missions, and only one member was wounded in the 25 bouts with the enemy. His ship, whose name was recently changed to "Censored," because the original name was a little too risque for the CO, took its share of punishment but always brought them back. Once over Bremen, two motors were put out of commission, but the Fort brought them to safely.

After a visit with the home folks, Sgt. DeLaney will go to Miami to the Air Corps redistribution center, from which returned combat crews are reassigned. DeLaney has asked to be assigned as an instructor.

Jack DeLaney, another son of Mayor and Mrs. E. A. DeLaney, serving with a Depot Repair Squadron in Italy, has been promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant, his folks have learned. Jack's wife and young daughter, Tura Ann are here from Adel, Ga., and will spend some time at the DeLaney home.

## No Increased Pay In Sight For Aged Until Races Close

The State Welfare Board will not be in a position to distribute any racing revenue in addition to the $2,000,000 guaranteed by the cigarette tax until after the close of the racing season, the District No. 8 Welfare Board has been advised by State Welfare Commissioner Leland W. Hiatt, according to announcement today of C. Parke Anderson, chairman of District No. 8 Welfare Board from Highlands County.

Commissioner Hiatt was quoted as having written the district board as follows:

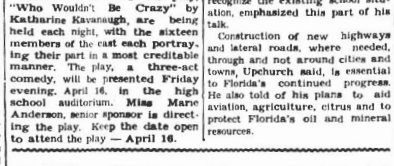
"Although requests have come in asking that additional increases be made at once to old age assistance recipients, we wish to explain that the State Welfare Board is in position to take action authorizing increases at this time as there is no assurance as to how much additional money will be available when the season closes on April 8.

"You may be assured that the State Welfare Board is keeping close watch on reports from the State Racing Commission and will be prepared to authorize increases in old age grants immediately up. on receipt of its final report. As instructed by the Board, planning is already under way regarding the method by which these increases will be made."

Hiatt has explained, Mr. Anderson said, that at the time the Legislature guaranteed the payment of $2,000,000 to the old-age fund through the levying of the cigarette tax, there was no assurance that racing would not be suspended the current season as it was the previous year.

## Senior Class Play To Be Given Friday, April 16

Rehearsals on the senior play, "Who Wouldn't Be Crazy" by Katharine Kavanaugh, are being held each night, with the sixteen members of the cast each portraying their part in a most creditable manner. The play, a three-act comedy, will be presented Friday evening, April 16, in the high school auditorium. Miss Marie Anderson, senior sponsor is directing the play. Keep the date open to attend the play — April 16.



BIG BOY BUS—A familiar scene at AFAAF's bus loading station about 1700 each day. This tractor-trailer unit is a new addition to the fleet of buses operated by Avon Park City Bus Lines to haul GI's to and from the Base. This monster has a seating capacity of 60 persons seated two to a seat, or 90 people, putting a trio on each seat. Maximum load capacity is 120.

## Upchurch Speaks Here Wednesday On His Candidacy

Campaigning on a liberal and progressive program for post-war Florida, Frank D. Upchurch, of St. Augustine, candidate for governor, outlined his "Preface to Progress" and its 14 objectives in a talk in the mall Wednesday afternoon.

Upchurch favors a balanced economy for Florida in which there shall be equal opportunity for all lines of endeavor rather than over-emphasis of one activity at the expense of all others.

He stressed the necessity for increasing old-age assistance, adding that most citizens were in agreement with him on this matter.

Concerning World War No. 2 veterans, Upchurch asserted with 15,000 Florida men and women already released from the armed forces or soon now to be, to face with what many expected would be a post-war problem.

"The manpower shortage is taking care of those people now, but we must prepare now to provide by private enterprise, if possible, or at public expense, if necessary, for their remunerative employment for tens of thousands of returning service men and women," Upchurch said.

A U. S. Marine in World War No. 1, and the father of two sons in the present war, Upchurch also advocates a streamlined education through the levying of the cigarette tax, there was no assurance that racing would not be suspended the current season as it was the previous year.

WAVE



Apprentice Seaman Gladys Farmer, sister of Mrs. J. W. Sheffield of Avon Park, and formerly an employee of the Barnett Bank, has been promoted to Seaman second class in the WAVES. She received her basic training at Bronx, New York, and is now stationed at Milledgeville, Georgia.

## Youth Week to Be Observed at Baptist Church

The observance of annual Youth Week in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held at the First Baptist Church in Avon Park, beginning Sunday, April 2 and continuing through the following Sunday. Rev. Harold Davidson, pastor of the Flagler Street Baptist Church, Miami, and former educational director of the Main Street Baptist Church in Jacksonville will deliver the messages, discussing the youth and their problems. He will preach at both the morning and evening services on Sunday and each evening next week at 8:00 o'clock. The motto for the week will be "Win One."

All departments of the Sunday School and church will be filled by the young people of the church Pvt. Paul Zyistra will be in charge of the music. Youth Week is observed annually in each of the 18 states, comprising the Southern Baptist Convention, but this will be the first time it has been observed in the Avon Park Church.

## School Students Hear Splendid Program Thursday

A musical program in costume, presented by Marie Houston and sponsored by the local school in cooperation with Mrs. Frank Morgan, county supervisor of elementary school music, was staged in the high school auditorium on Thursday, March 30.

The program was an educational and enjoyable one and was attended by about five hundred pupils. Proceeds from the performance will be used by the music department.

Marie Houston's travels have taken her over one-half million miles to many foreign lands including Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Estonia, Russia to Moscow, South America, Panama, Cuba West Indies, Bermuda, Honolulu, Samoa Islands, Fiji Islands, New Zealand and Australia. She travels on an average of fifty thousand miles a year.

It is interesting and amazing to know that in addition to singing her programs, Miss Houston chooses and designs many of her lavish costumes, which lend environment, vivid imagination and color to the time and place of the selection.

## Basketball Cagers Awarded Letters; Schedule Announced

J. C. Walker was made permanent captain of the basketball team this week, when letters were awarded, and the schedule for the 1944 season was announced. Those receiving letters were J. C. Walker, Billy Walker, Bobby Keller, Fred Montsdeoca, Louis Courchaine, E. C. Wever, and Jimmie Philpott.

The schedule is as follows: Sept. 29 — Clewiston, here; Oct. 6 — Auburndale here; Oct. 13 — Sebring, there; Oct. 20 — Haines City, here; Oct. 27 — Lake Wales, there; Nov. 3, open; Nov. 10 — Mulberry, there; Nov. 17 — Frostproof, there; Nov. 23 — Sebring, here; Dec. 1 —Wauchula, here.

## Red Cross Goal Almost Subscribed

### Only $200 To Go On Eve of Close Of Drive

(By Rosamond Mallory, County publicity chairman)

Avon Park civilian population is about $200 short of the $3,000 mark in it's 1944 drive for Red Cross Funds, J. Paul Garber, Chairman of the campaign, announced yesterday. The $200 million dollar month-long drive will end officially all over the nation at midnight tonight (Friday).

"We raised a little over $2,800 in the 1943 drive from the civilian population," Mr. Garber said, "but we want to do better this year as our armed forces constantly expand and need for Red Cross work grows."

The quota for Avon Park is $6,000, which includes the community, the Avon Park Army Air Base and Lodwick Aviation Military Academy. It is hoped that the civilian population will contribute $3,000 and that $3,000 will be raised by the Avon Park Army Air Base and Lodwick Aviation Military Academy.

The campaign started in earnest yesterday, Thursday, at the Army Air Base with Major C. W. Roberts in charge of the drive, and will end April 8th.

Captain Swaffield has charge of the drive at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy.

Collections at the Park theatre, Avon Park, will continue through Friday night. The Boy Scouts under Robert E. Maysack, Scoutmaster, have been doing an exceptionally fine job taking up the collection twice a day at the theatre and the response has been much better than a year ago. Collections have been averaging around $80 per day.

Reports are practically complete for the house to house canvass and canvass of the business district that was in charge of Dr. R. H. Jumper. John Francis is largest individual contributor, giving a check for $200 Friday morning.

Contributions will be accepted by the Barnett Bank, Avon Park so if any one has been missed, please contribute through the bank.

No figures have been released as yet from Hendricks Field, but the Sebring civilian community by Wednesday morning had collected more than $5,000.00 on their $6,000 quota.

The Rev. Perry B. James of Sebring is county chairman of the campaign and Guignard Maxcy of Sebring, county co-chairman. R. R. Brown of Avon Park is co-chairman with Mr. Garber for the Avon Park collection.

Final figures on collections throughout the County will be given next week.

## Senior Testing Program Given at Avon Park High

The Senior Testing Program, sponsored by the University of Florida, and given to all twelfth grade pupils in the state high schools, was participated in by the Avon Park high school last week.

The tests were administered by A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal of the local school. Tests in English, Social Studies, Natural Science, Mathematics, Latin, Spanish, and the psychological examination. All of these tests were time tests and the entire school day was taken for the program.

Scoring and grading will be done by the University of Florida, and a percentile score will be given each student, and compared with about 10,000 other Florida high school seniors.

## Nancy Betts is Honored at Brenau College

GAINESVILLE, GA., — (Special to The Sun) — Miss Nancy Betts, senior at Brenau College and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Betts of Avon Park, Fla., has been elected to Chi Chi Beta Sigma, honorary fraternity, one of the highest honors the college can bestow upon a student, it was announced in noon chapel Tuesday, March 28. The address was made by Dr. William V. Gardner, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta, Ga.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Nazi Forces Retreat Toward Rumania As Russians Regain Rich Farm Lands; Allied Troops Drive New Wedge Into Germans' Main Defense Line in Italy

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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Italy—Row on row, these little white crosses in Mount Soprano cemetery mark the graves of fallen American Doughboys in Italy.

## OPA:
### *Renewal Sought*

Claiming that OPA has held wartime price increases to half the level of World War I, Price Administrator Chester Bowles appeared before the senate banking committee to testify for continuation of the agency for another year.



Chester Bowles

Following early increases to iron out prewar depression prices, the cost of living has been held absolutely stable during the last 11 months, Bowles said.

Asking for retention of present powers, Bowles said OPA would continue with present techniques for keeping down prices, including subsidies, which he called essential.

### *Cattle Subsidy*

To bring cattle off the range and prevent a market glut in the fall, OPA is considering increasing meat subsidies by 30 cents to enable them to offer higher prices for the stock during spring and summer.

At the same time, government officials considered placing a floor under medium and lower grade cattle whose quality may be affected by the tight feed situation, with floors for the spring and summer above those for the fall.

While increased subsidies were being considered for cattle, lower subsidies were being studied for hogs, in line with government policy for decreased pig production. Now $1.30 a hundred pounds, the hog subsidy may be cut by 30 cents.

## SOLDIER VOTE:
### *President Gets Bill*

Passed by congress, the compromise soldier vote bill, allowing use of the short federal ballot if certified by the governor and state ballots are unobtainable, found its way to President Roosevelt's desk for signature or veto.

Once outspoken in his opposition to a bill limiting soldier voting to state ballots alone, the President took up the compromise measure with caution before acting, wiring all 48 governors to report to him whether they would permit use of the short federal ballot, which only lists the presidential and congressional offices without including the names of the candidates.

If the governor's O.K. the short federal ballot, servicemen will only be able to use it if their states have no absentee voting laws, or if they have applied for state ballots but have not received them.

## RUSSIA:
### *Free Ukraine*

German gains remaining foothold in the Ukraine was loosened as Russian troops smashed into Nazi lines along the Bug river, and as the enemy's forces fell back toward Rumania, the Reds regained the rich farm and mineral land.

As Russia scored its military success in the south, Finland in the north turned down Moscow's armistice offer, based on restoration of the 1940 borders and internment of German troops entrenched in the little country.

Russia's southern drive carried Red troops to within 30 miles of the prewar Rumanian border, while farther to the northwest, they were within 100 miles of the old Czech and Hungarian frontiers.

## EUROPE:
### *Drive Wedge in Italy*

Having driven a wedge into the Germans' main defense line by leveling Cassino with a devastating aerial attack by heavy bombers, Allied forces fought hard to advance up the road to Rome and get at the rear of the enemy hemming in U. S. and British troops on the Anzio beachhead.

Although the thunderous leveling of Cassino left that once-fortified village standing directly on the road to Rome a pile of jumbled mortar, Nazi guns established in the surrounding hills continued to take Allied troops, making progress slow.

Preliminary to the big showdown in the west, Allied bombers continued to roar over Axis Europe, ripping at Nazi channel defenses, France's network of rails over which the enemy plans to shuttle troops to meet invasion armies, and German industries turning out the weapons of war. To counter the raids, the Nazis sent up swarms of fighter planes, and great sky battles raged.

## PACIFIC:
### *Troubled War-Lords*

As U. S. army and naval forces kept up a running fire over the entire Pacific area, Japan's jumpy little war-lords had this to worry about:

Continued Allied bombings of Weewak, New Guinea, and Rabaul, New Britain, feeder bases for Jap troops in those regions.

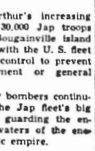
U. S. control of the Admiralty islands lying along the supply route to Rabaul.

General MacArthur's increasing isolation of the 30,000 Jap troops hemmed in on Bougainville island in the Solomons, with the U. S. fleet and air force in control to prevent major reinforcement or general withdrawal.

Navy and army bombers continuing attacks on the Jap fleet's big outpost at Truk, guarding the entrance into the waters of the enemy's South Pacific empire.

## DRAFT:
### *Tighten Deferments*

In order to meet the services' demands for 1,180,000 men by July to bring military strength to 11,300,000, local draft boards have been directed to tighten up on all deferments, particularly for those in the 18 - 25 age group.



Gen. Hershey

Under the new directives issued by Selective Service Chief Lewis B. Hershey, only indispensable employees, regardless of family status, are to be deferred, and only the state draft head or national headquarters is to pass on any deferments for the 18 to 25 year age group.

Only farm workers producing 18 units will be eligible for deferment, and careful consideration will be given to the cases of 470,000 farm workers under 26.

While Selective Service pressed for more men, General Hershey said few of the 3,485,000 4Fs will be found acceptable for military service. Only about 11 per cent of those with dependents, including fathers, have been taken thus far, he said, and only about 1 in 10 will pass physicals.

## IRELAND:
### *Faces Isolation*

Traditionally strained, Ireland's relations with Great Britain have again tensed, this time over London's threat to completely isolate the Emerald Isle from the outside world if German and Japanese officials are permitted to remain in Dublin and carry on alleged espionage activities detrimental to Allied invasion forces massed in the United Kingdom.

Anxious to maintain its neutrality, one reason being given that its cities were open to destructive bombings, Ireland replied that it could not banish Axis diplomats without inviting war, and insisted that it had clamped down on any suspicious enemy activity.

As the U. S. refused to sell Ireland ships for carrying needed imports and Britain closed all travel between the two countries, Eire grimly awaited events, its economy already hard hit by unemployment caused by a scarcity of imported raw materials.

## COLD STORAGE:
### *More Meat, Produce*

With cooler space 73 per cent occupied and freezer capacity 92 per cent filled, U. S. storage holdings as of March 1 were at record levels, with only apples at a low mark.

Beef stocks aggregated 276,300,000 pounds; pork, 792,700,000 pounds; trimmings, 151,300,000 pounds; lard and rendered pork fat, 354,300,000, of which War Food administration held 200,300,000.

Frozen fruit stocks were 39 per cent over those of a year ago, frozen vegetables 107 per cent, creamery butter 792 per cent, cheese 85 per cent, frozen eggs 75 per cent, and poultry 117 per cent.

### Knitting Vet



Ninety-two-year-old Mrs. Christine Lorensen of Clinton, Iowa, is an old hand at knitting for the boys, having first made mittens for Civil war soldiers, and other apparel for vets of the Spanish-American and World War I conflicts. Now, Mrs. Lorensen knits for the Red Cross for World War II's heroes.

Declaring that Americans are suffering little deprivations compared with Civil war days, Mrs. Lorensen said: "We had no coffee at all, and, sometimes, little to eat but cornbread."

## WAGES:
### *Control Attacked*

Labor's efforts to revise the War Labor board's stabilization formula limiting wage increases to 15 per cent over January, 1941, were thwarted by the public's and industry's representatives on the board, who advised holding off consideration until congress goes over the whole question of price control.

In an effort to revise the stabilization formula, labor asked that the President be requested to modify the wage ceiling to reflect actual living costs, and the War Labor board held public hearings to bring out facts which might justify higher pay. Steelworkers pressed for public hearings on their demands for a 17-cents-an-hour raise.

## MONEY SYSTEM:
### *Shaped for World*

Long in consideration, the United Nations' plan for an international money system after the war is taking shape, with gold to play an important part as a result of Russia's support.

Based on a plan drawn by the U. S. treasury's monetary expert, Harry D. White, the new money system would require each country to contribute a certain percentage of gold and its own currency to a stabilization fund, which would then operate to prevent any nation's exchange from rising or falling.

White's plan differs from Britain's, which considered having each nation contribute to an international stabilization fund on the basis of its prewar trade, thus tending to favor countries which had heavy foreign commerce.

With a comparatively small prewar trade, Russia found the U. S. plan more acceptable, thus swinging the balance in its favor.

## POPULATION

At the present rate of increase, the Russian population will number about 250,000,000 people by 1970, or 25 million more than there will be in all northwestern and central Europe, according to a survey by a League of Nations committee. The 1939 census of the Soviet Republics gave a total of about 170 millions. Current estimates place the figure at 180 millions.

The survey stated that the population of Europe as a whole is now declining.

# U. S. Seed Raisers Grow Record Crops to Meet Unprecedented Wartime Demands

## American Producers Must Make Up for Imports Now Cut Off

In a remote outpost of New Caledonia a sergeant bellows from the door of a mess hut, "Hey, Murphy, how about those vegetables?"

"Coming right up, Sarge!" And Private Murphy moves at a fast clip from the camp garden, laden with fresh vitamins and minerals in the form of sweet corn, tomatoes and string beans for the evening meal.

This scene is not as fantastic as it sounds, even in the middle of a war, according to the War Food administration. It's a fact that Uncle Sam is sending many hundreds of tons of vegetable seeds to all parts of the world with the armed forces. Wherever a permanent camp is set up, and other factors are favorable, fighters who otherwise would get none of the bulky, perishable vegetables are themselves raising the familiar things they know and like with seed from home.

Seeds are so small, compared with the vegetables they produce, that they are an economical method of exporting food via either steamer or airplane. In European countries, for example, as much as five tons of tomatoes can be raised from a single ounce of seed. Rutabagas, another favored vegetable there, will produce as much as 500 bushels from the seed contained in a pint jar.

The total vegetable supply, through June, 1944, is estimated by the department of agriculture at 391 million pounds. Of the allocable portion, (379,900,000 pounds), 73 per cent or 277 million pounds will go to American farmers, to Victory gardens—of which 22 million are sought this year—and to other civilian consumption. This is a somewhat larger supply than was available in 1943. Some varieties to which gardeners are accustomed may not answer roll call this spring, and there will be a scarcity of cabbage seed, but no U. S. gardener, says WFA, need be without plenty of vegetables.

Another allocation of 9,600,000 pounds or 2.5 per cent goes to Lend Lease outlets. About five million pounds will be available to Russia, and some four million pounds to the United Kingdom. An additional 1.3 per cent, or about 4,450,000 pounds, will be divided among the other Allied countries and liberated areas.

A total of 3,818,000 pounds, or 1 per cent, will be apportioned to U. S. territories, the Red Cross, friendly nations, and U. S. military and war services will receive substantial quantities.

All of these exports and shipments total only 4.8 per cent of the total seed allocation. The remainder of the allocable supply, 84 million pounds or 22.2 per cent, will go into what is known as "contingency reserve," a reserve to be used as need arises.

Seed needs during recent years have made increasingly large demands on America's domestic supply. Balancing available seed against claims to bring about a fair division among the claimant groups, and assisting the necessary expansion in vegetable seed production, has been a part of the War Food President has requested to modify the wage ceiling to reflect actual living costs, and the War Labor board held public hearings to bring out facts which might justify higher pay. Steelworkers pressed for public hearings on their demands for a 17-cents-an-hour raise.



Enough seed for five tons of tomatoes is in the little pile on the scales. According to the department of agriculture, one ounce of seed can grow into that much, if carefully cultivated, as is the practice in Europe.

### Seeds Came From Europe.

Small vegetable seeds were produced almost entirely in continental Europe prior to 1939. When the outbreak of war cut other supply lines, it also stopped, for example, the importation of cabbage and cauliflower seeds from Denmark and Holland. Great Britain's growers, who once looked to the European seed market to answer most of their needs, faced a serious shortage. Seed requirements had increased in accordance with a 90 per cent acreage increase, while the accepted sources of supply diminished. Russia suffered a dangerous domestic seed source loss when Germany invaded the Ukraine. And other areas were in similar difficulty.

As a natural result, production of almost the entire load of vegetable seed for world needs was assumed by U. S. seedsmen.

What those growers accomplished is history, and the prospect for 1944 is for a still further increase in acreage and in yield.

The 1943 vegetable seed harvest was the largest in United States annals, latest figures showing production of 355 million pounds. This is a 91 per cent increase over the three-year (1939-41) pre-Pearl Harbor average of 186 million pounds.

Very few American farmers grow vegetable seeds as their only cash crop. However, many give vegetable seeds first place, particularly in the Pacific coast states. A government survey has shown that production of 29 out of 48 seeds topped the 1942 record harvest for a total increase of 21 million pounds over the 334 million pounds harvested last year.

Beans, peas and corn accounted for 331 million pounds of seed in 1943, 6 per cent more than the 1942 production of 313 million pounds. The figure for small or light seeds, such as beet, carrot, and cucumber, totaled about 24.1 million pounds last year, 16 per cent more than the 1942 crop of 20.8 million pounds. The harvest on these small seeds fell below expectations due to a smaller yield per acre for 27 of the seeds and a total harvested acreage 16 per cent less than was intended.

### Yields Multiplied.

Phenomenal increases in acreage yields on some seeds were recorded. Brussels sprouts, with an increase of 371 per cent, led the list. Other large increases were 228 per cent for okra, 225 per cent for mustard, 184 per cent for kale, and 172 per cent for salsify.

Total crop production for 1943 exceeded 1942 by 27 times for brussels sprouts, 370 per cent for mustard, 358 per cent for dill, 343 per cent for collards, 213 per cent for okra, 202 per cent for kale, 195 per cent for looseleaf lettuce, 181 per cent for Chinese cabbage, 178 per cent for chicory, 165 per cent for carrots, 153 per cent for onion, and 130 per cent for leek seed. Greatest decline in total production probably will be recorded for broccoli, cabbage, romaine lettuce, pepper, kohlrabi and parsnip seed.

Larger acreages of most kinds of vegetable seed, 30 out of 48, helped offset decreased yield per acre of a majority of the crops. Biggest reductions in acre yield were reported for cabbage, 60 per cent less than 1943; broccoli, 36 per cent; pepper, 70 per cent; parsnip, 73 per cent; kohlrabi, pumpkin, chicory and cauliflower, each 76 per cent less.

Total land in seeds harvested in 1943 was 423,391 acres, with 80,624 acres covering the small or light seeds and the remainder in garden beans, peas and corn. These figures compare with 397,334 total acreage in 1942, and 77,980 acres in the light seeds.

Production of certified seed potatoes last year set a new record, 48 per cent higher than the 1942 record crop. The harvest totaled 29,044,000 bushels, compared with 20,491,317 in '42. This represents more than 6 per cent of the U. S. production of all potatoes, and is nearly 2½ times the 10-year average (1932-41) of 12,619,300 bushels.

### Hay and Cover Crop Seeds.

Seed for forage and cover crops is receiving more attention than usual this year. The 1944 conservation program emphasizes cover crops to help increase production, with a consequent need for more seed.

Harvest of legume and grass seeds will be encouraged in 1944 under the provisions of the Conservation Practices Program of the Agricultural Adjustment agency. Payment of $3.50 for each harvested acre will be allowed up to a maximum of 25 acres on any farm. Seeds included are legume and grass seeds with the exception of timothy, redtop, Austrian peas, Kentucky blue grass, cowpess and soybeans.

The clover seed harvest, taken as a whole, did not fare so well. Red clover seed acreage was expanded 15 per cent, with an estimated production of 1,142,900 bushels, 11 per cent more than the 1942 crop of 1,028,100 bushels. Acres harvested were upped to 1,279,800, an increase of 169,300 acres over 1942. Yield dropped from .92 of a bushel per acre to .89 of a bushel. Acreage increase was largely in Wisconsin and Michigan.

Timothy seed, with an estimated 1,499,600 bushels, dropped 11 per cent below the 1942 harvest of 1,678,500 bushels of seed. The decrease is reported due to a smaller acreage (394,000), since yield per acre of 3.81 bushels is only slightly less than the 3.84 bushels for 1942 and is more than the 1932-41 average of 3.21 bushels. Harvested acreage for seeds was smaller in all important states except Wisconsin and Pennsylvania but acreage cut for hay was larger than the previous year, apparently because of a greater need for timothy hay than for the seed.

### More Lespedeza.

Lespedeza seed production totaled 159,920,000 pounds, a 67 per cent increase over the 1933-41 average of 95,586,000 pounds, but 6 per cent smaller than the 1943 crop of 170,000,000 pounds. A 9 per cent reduction in yield per acre more than offset a 3 per cent increase in planted acres. Yield was only 186.9 pounds, due to summer and fall drouth, as compared with 216.6 pounds in 1942. Total acres were estimated at 814,000.

The harvest during the coming season of increased amounts of grass and legume seeds, vegetable seeds and of seed crops in general is highly advisable, says the War Food administration. It will raise the national seed supply and provide for increased domestic farm production to meet expanding war requirements for food and fiber. And it will provide seeds to help meet the needs of the Allies and of the liberated countries as they are freed from Axis control. Making as much seed as possible available to European farmers when that phase of the war ends, will aid them to rehabilitate their land so that they can grow more food and fiber for themselves, thereby lowering their requirements for farm commodities from the United States.



Legumes such as clover are a valuable source of natural nitrogens, as every farmer knows. More seed will be needed for cover crops in 1944, present estimates show.

## Supply of Grass and Clover Seed Is Extremely Low In Face of Unusually Heavy Midwestern Requirements

Wet weather in Minnesota, which reduced the crop more than one-third in that state, was chiefly responsible for last year's smaller Blue Grass seed harvest. Production of 1,516,000 bushels of cured seed totaled only about one-third as much as the 1942 crop of 4,525,000 bushels. Nebraska and North Dakota also showed a considerable drop in production. Recovery of 21-pound seed from cured seed of the 1943 crop averaged 49.74 per cent, compared with 52.67 per cent for 1942, a difference of about 2½ pounds of clean seed weighing 21 pounds per measured bushel from every 100 pounds of cured seed.

Of particular importance to the Northern Plains states and the Corn Belt this year will be Sudan grass seed. Some states, such as Illinois, Kansas, Montana, Iowa and the Dakotas, have so far had so little rainfall that grasses which help to hold the topsoil will be in unusual demand. Sudan also provides good grazing. Wells are reported dry in many states, with dust already blowing in Iowa and Kansas. Two million pounds of Sudan seed are already scheduled for import during 1944, and an increase in domestic production is being sought by WFA.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**PENNIES:** Since the copper situation has improved considerably, the War Production board has decided to permit addition of enough of the red metal to pennies to restore the old copper-zinc ratio of 95 parts copper to 5 parts zinc. Production rate currently is at 150 million one-cent pieces per month. It is expected that the annual output will exceed a billion steel pennies.

**FOOD PROCESSORS:** There will be a need for at least 700,000 seasonal workers in canneries and other food processing plants this year, Paul McNutt, manpower commissioner, says. This is 100,000 more than were needed last year. Students, women, and part-time workers will be the only source, he believes, though prisoners of war and soldiers on leave can be called upon.


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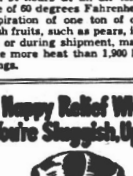
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# U. S. Outposts Shoulder Their Share of War

## Hawaii, Alaska Ahead of States in Bond Buying.

The 2½ million citizens of Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, areas which comprise the outer defense rim of the United States, have played a more intimate part in the nation's war program than the citizens of any other area in the country, Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes stated preliminary to releasing the reports of the governors of those regions as well as a report on the status of Philippine civilian affairs for the fiscal year 1943.

Their front-line activities show that militarily these areas have acted as shock-absorbers for this country and that economically they have experienced severe dislocations, particularly Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

**Hawaii is now honeycombed with bomb shelters, Gov. Ingram M. Stainbeck has reported. Emergency hospitals and auxiliary first-aid stations, manned by volunteer nurses, have been constructed throughout the territory under the direction of the Territorial Office of Civilian Defense through the emergency fund allotted by the President to the department of the interior. The civilian population has been immunized, fingerprinted, and furnished gas masks and has been trained for fire fighting, first aid, gas defense, and other defense work. The water supply has been chlorinated against bacterial contamination. Utility installations are under constant guard.**

**Formerly a defense bulwark for the continental United States, Alaska has now become a thoroughfare for offensive action through the Aleutian chain.**

**Alaska Beats Difficulties.**

**Governor Ernest Gruening reported that a winter of unprecedented snowfall, severe floods, manpower shortage, and the movement of vast quantities of equipment and military personnel combined to make the year one of the most difficult from an operational standpoint in the history of the Alaska railroad. The Alaska road commission rushed to completion the Alaska highway, which connects Palmer with the Richardson highway.**

**Alaskans have constantly exceeded their war bond quotas, the governor reported. The territory's purchases in the final month of the fiscal year ranked second in the nation, exceeding all of the 48 states with a percentage of 114.8 and being second only to Hawaii.**

**From Puerto Rico, Gov. Rexford G. Tugwell reports that the shipping shortage during part of the fiscal year 1943, and its serious effects on the island's economy, overshadowed other developments. Puerto Rico's 2,000,000 people normally are dependent upon the continental United States for one-third of their food tonnage, and for almost all of their clothing and other essential commodities. In September, 1942, the civilian tonnage to Puerto Rico had sunk to 7 per cent of the 1940 monthly average. Only the strenuous efforts of the insular government, the United States department of the interior, the Food Distribution administration, the War Shipping administration, and the war and navy departments averted disaster. At the end of the fiscal year, instead of critical shortages Puerto Rico had substantial surpluses of most basic commodities.**

**"Postwar Slump" in Virgin Islands.**

**As the Virgin Islands were early to feel the economic uplift of the war, so were they among the first American communities to experience the inevitable retrogression as military construction drew to a close. Unemployment again loomed as an important problem at the end of the fiscal year, according to Gov. Charles Harwood. Public works projects, including urgently needed sanitation and hospital facilities, must be provided to take up the slack, he stated.**

**The Philippines continued to suffer the effects of enemy invasion. Intercepted broadcasts revealed that guerrilla warfare was being waged in all of the larger islands and that the mass of the population continued in its loyalty to the United States and to the Commonwealth government-in-exile.**

**In September, 1942, the functions and duties of the high commissioner to the Philippine Islands were transferred by executive order to the secretary of the interior. The high commissioner's office, in collaboration with the provost marshal general's office, gives special attention to various problems concerning Americans interned in the Philippines. Under Secretary Ickes' jurisdiction, plans are being prepared in consultation with commonwealth officials for a generous and effective program for the economic and financial rehabilitation of the Philippines when the enemy is ousted from the islands.**

# Now It's 'Doorgirl'



**Once again women show that they can fill in for men, no matter what the job. A swank New York hotel has "doorgirls," who open taxi doors and carry luggage.**

# America In Action

## FOUR MONTHS IN ACTION WITHOUT LOSING A MAN

**The commander of a cavalry reconnaissance troop of nearly 200 men which spent four months in front-line action on daring day and night sorties without a single death today attributed the record to "good training and excellent leadership by junior officers and non-commissioned officers," the war department reported.**

**Capt. Alvin T. Netterblad, cavalry, of Miami, Ariz., who led the troop on hazardous missions through Sicily and on the Fifth army front in Italy, told of the unit's almost unparalleled good fortune.**

**"It is the same story over and over again," he said. "The battle indoctrination courses, which are a part of training, continually prove their great value because in combat the soldier automatically reacts the way he has been trained. If he is familiar with gunfire and can immediately tell the difference in the sound of various weapons, he will react properly."**

**The mechanized cavalry troop under Captain Netterblad's command —known in the Third infantry division as the "Snoop Troop"—not only obtained valuable information in its forays into enemy-held and contested areas, but also captured a number of enemy horses and mules which were quickly put to use by the Americans in moving equipment and food.**

**Scouting in Mountains.**

**The troop's daylight missions were accomplished with mechanized equipment; those at night, on foot. He added, "I wish we had some horse cavalry in our operations. When I left Italy, the fighting was in terrain so mountainous that mechanized units could not be used to best advantage, and the horse is to a cavalry reconnaissance unit what the mule is to supply units in mountain fighting."**

**Captain Netterblad said of the junior and non-commissioned officers serving under him, "I think they compared with any officers of like rank in the army."**

**As for cavalry reconnaissance in general, he said, "We learned a lot in Tunisia. We are over our growing pains now. We always will learn, but now we know something of how the enemy operates, and we have had our own combat experience. All my unit did a good job in carrying out duties. With training continued on the same high plane, we should be able to continue functioning as successfully on assigned missions."**

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# "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

*By NANCY PEPPER*

## USE YOUR HEAD



**Your head's good for more than thinking. It's good to put hats and things on. This year, if you're the smoothie we take you for, you'll be covering your head with the new G.I. cap. And—you'll also be playing some of these tricks on yourself.**

**STRAWS IN THE WIND—The cut-out trick we've seen in ages is a beany almost entirely covered with multi-colored soda straws, cut into irregular pieces and sewn on every which way.**

**STOCKING CAP—An old silk or nylon stocking will make a swell stocking cap. First dye it in a bright color. Then fit on your head and tie a knot at the top. Cut off the foot section and bind with bias tape. To this tape sew pieces of multi-color ribbon or strips of other materials and you'll have a tassel effect.**

**RAGGEDY ANN—That's what we call the beanie that you make out of rag strips, crocheted together just the way you make a hooked rug. Ask mother to show you how.**

## SMALL TALK

**Here are some new expressions that are going the rounds these days. Add them to your jabberwocky vocabulary to show that you're really hep. Wonder why it's so much easier to memorize jabberwocky than Latin or French? Mebbe they should start courses on it in school.**

**Chickie Chick—A girl who giggles.**
**Icky Dicky—A wolf on the prowl, a fresh boy.**
**Cut the Elastic — Stop fooling around.**
**Wolf in Ship's Clothing—A sailor.**
**Whale-Tail—A new word for jerk, drip.**
**Out of the Oven—Hot, keen.**
**How's for poolin' the foolin'—May we join you?**
**Dig a Drape—Buy a dress.**
**Make Like a Bold—Go away.**
**You shred it, Wheat—You said it.**
**Ill. Sprout, what's growin'?—Hello, what's new?**

## TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—

**Since I've learned how to sew I've been the best dressed gal in my crowd. I don't spend more money on my wardrobe—in fact, I spend less. But, now that I'm nimble with the thimble I can remake my old clothes until even I can't recognize 'em, and I can make new ones that definitely do not have that home-cooked look about them. You don't have to put on a uniform to help win the war. Just arm yourself with a needle and thread and enlist in the CC (Conservation Corps). It's the stitch in time that counts!**

## LUCKY LIMERICKS

**Ever since we saw the Cary Grant - Larraine Day picture, "Mr. Lucky," we've been afraid that you teens would adopt the new rhyming Jabberwocky that Cary teaches Larraine. And, our worst fears are realized. Teen agers are now confounding even themselves with the new talk which substitutes "Tit for Tat" for hat; which says "North and South" when it means mouth and calls a nose an "I suppose." You get the idea don't you? Instead of saying the word you mean, you substitute a rhyme. A boy could be a "pride and joy"; a girl could be a "dip and twirl." Well, anything's better than the Little Moron, we always say.**

# What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



**Your man in uniform will appreciate a special box you send him, full to the brim of things he likes.**

**Naturally you can only send these boxes while he is still in this country. But you can make his camp days more enjoyable by regular mailing of the "goodies" he likes the best. Send him jelly, cookies, home-made fudge, or cake and include in your box a silly little verse he will get a laugh from.**

**If your particular man in uniform won't appreciate this type of box, send him little gifts occasionally that you know he will like. And don't forget to write often—and tell him all the local news.**

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## Once Again Rubber Is Grown in Central America

**Rubber is native to the American tropics and was introduced elsewhere only about 65 years ago. Cheap labor in the Far East made it a profitable industry, so that by 1930 almost all of this essential crop came from there. And the U. S. supply came from ports which are four to ten times the distance of Central American ports.**

**Experiments now going on in Central America are promising. Wild and cultivated rubber plants are now being harvested in more than one country. Costa Rica has planted several thousand acres of trees on its Atlantic coast in recent years. Honduras, Haiti and Guatemala are also harvesting rubber for use in the war.**

## NOTHING WORTH SAYING

**In the hills of Arkansas, a son was born to one of the natives. As he grew from infancy he never spoke a word and his parents raised him as a deaf mute.**

**One day the father was bent over at his work in the orchard and did not notice that he was directly in the path of an enraged bull.**

**"Look out, Pa," the son shouted. "Here comes the bull."**

**The father ran to safety and expressed his joy his son had found his speech.**

**"Well, Pa," the son replied, "I just ain't had nothing to say before."**

**U. S. O.**

**Jane—That soldier is an awful flirt. I wouldn't trust him too far.**
**Joan—I wouldn't trust him too near!**

**Light Fingered!**

**Jones—Do you think that fellow down the street is crooked?**
**Smith—Crooked! He's so crooked I count my fingers every time I shake hands with him!**

**Beg Your Pardon?**

**Bill—You owe that fellow an apology.**
**Joe—Well, if I said anything I'm sorry for, I'm glad of it!**

**A CLOSE SHAVE!**



**Jones—There's only one thing that keeps you from being a bare-faced liar!**
**Smith—Yeah? What's that?**
**Jones—Your mustache!**

**Two Nuts**

**He—I have an insane impulse to hug you close!**
**She—You're not insane! You're talking sense!**

**Lucky Fellow**

**Mrs. Glotz—What excuse have you for not being married?**
**Mr. Plotz—I was born that way!**

**Try This One!**

**Wit—What's the difference between a girl and a horse?**
**Nit—I don't know.**
**Wit—You must have some swell dates!**

**Hard to Please**

**Jack—Have you ever met the girl of your dreams?**
**Mac—Yeah, lots of times!**

**Second Youth?**

**Mr. Smith—Dear, will you love me when I'm old and feeble?**
**Mrs. Smith—Of course, I do!**

**Smart Fellow**

**Jack—What would you do if you married a rich girl?**
**Mac—Absolutely nothing!**

**SAD NEWS!**



**Blue—You never want to laugh at your wife's hat when you first see it.**
**Brown—Why not?**
**Blue—Wait till you see the bill!**

**Oink! Oink!**

**Jack — Do you know anything about pigs?**
**Mac—Sure. My father raised a big one once.**
**Jack—So I see!**

**Not Light Headed!**

**Joan—I don't like men in the air force.**
**Jane—I suppose you think they're no earthly good!**

**No Back Talk**

**Harry—I'm a man of few words.**
**Jerry—I know—I'm married myself!**

**Simple Method**

**Joe—How can you tell if a woman really loves you?**
**Bill—Easy. If she really loves you, you can make her do anything she wants to.**

**Sure It's Love!**

**She—It's mostly you I care for. I care for your money only up to a certain point.**
**He—Yeah, the decimal point!**

**Finders Keepers**

**Pvt.—Hey, she's a real pin-up! She ain't got a friend, has she?**
**Sarge—Yep.**
**Pvt.—Who?**
**Sarge—Me!**

**No Rationing?**

**Waiter—We have everything on this menu. What would you like?**
**Diner—A clean menu!**

**Slight Draft**

**She—Does this wind bother you?**
**He—Oh, no. Talk as much as you please.**

**Dangerous Type**

**Harry—What do you mean by calling that girl a suicide blonde?**
**Jerry—Well, she dyed by her own hand!**

# Maybe They'd Like Something Classical



**Boogie-woogie comes to the Marshall Islands. Not overly impressed, these South Sea island women and children listen to strange music being played on a portable organ by Joseph Baldwin, coastguardsman.**

# Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



**For the wide mouth with heavy lips, paint on your lipstick within the line of the lips. Carry out the color to the corner of the mouth, but lightly, don't emphasize. If you really have a tiny mouth—a real Cupid's Bow—play it down. The tiny mouth isn't "smart" now. Widen the lower lip a trifle and extend your lipstick a little beyond the natural outlines. A brush will help you do this.**

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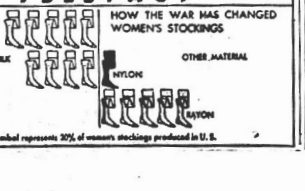
# U. S. Pilot Craves Action; He Gets It on Ground

**An American pilot didn't get enough action on his own job, so he passed his two-week leave in ground fighting beside Australians in Ramu valley, New Guinea, and killed three Japanese.**

**Australians from the battlefront said Lieut. Tom Roberts, of Parshall, Colo., shot one Japanese, forced the second to jump from a precipitous ridge and killed the third with a hand grenade.**

# TELEFACT

## HOW THE WAR HAS CHANGED WOMEN'S STOCKINGS




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# HOUSEHOLD HINTS

**Bring baby's bonnet** back to shape after washing by drawing the hood over an inverted mixing bowl of appropriate size.

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**Soft soap** is all right if it works. And this time it does. Nails and screws are much easier to drive if rubbed over a cake of soap first.

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**Why not use** that old piano stool in the attic for a dressing table seat. Upholster the top and attach a ruffle of chintz, or other fabric harmonizing with the room furnishings, to the outer edge to cover the legs.

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**Worn sheets** can be cut to suitable lengths and dyed for window curtains, or they can be used as covers for dresses and coats.

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**In pressing hems,** press from the bottom up. Pressing around the bottom of the skirt stretches the hem out of shape.

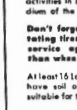
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**To restore the fluffiness** of chenille and candlewick which has been washed, shake vigorously from time to time while the articles are drying. When completely dry, brush with a whiskbroom.

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**No one likes greasy soup,** and now we've a double reason for not wanting it—our country needs the excess grease. One way to serve both purposes is to allow the soup to harden and cool after making, then skim grease off while cold. Reheat—the results are good soup and no excess grease. And—do not forget to bring your excess fats to your meat dealer.


# SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER



**Window screens, rust-proof and flexible, that will roll up like shades are among the rubber products promised for post-war service by B. F. Goodrich technicians.**

**In 1942, automobile graveyards wrecked 2,043,000 cars. It is estimated that 1,196,000 cars will have ceased their rubber-wearing activities in 1943 through the medium of the wrecker.**

**Don't forget the spare in rotating tires, for rubber not in service ages more rapidly than when in actual use.**

**At least 16 Latin-American countries have soil and climatic conditions suitable for the growing of rubber.**

*Jerry Shaw*

*In war or peace*

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### SOMETHING TO PONDER

When the world turns to peace-time pursuits transportation will take its place in front of the procession — and we point Avon Park to a pertinent fact:

In front of the transport jack — despite all the talk of the airways — will come the lowly automobile. It will still be with us "with/interest." And with it will come an unprecedented parking problem.

Traffic jams will develop where there were none before and where they develop business will suffer.

The best invitation any community can offer to prospective trade in the future will be a solution to the parking problem. If Avon Park expects to develop into a trading center it must solve this problem better than our neighbors. The problem is worth the best efforts of a clear-thinking committee of our chamber of commerce. Thinking should start NOW.

### DON'T MR. GRAHAM!

"We can take one per cent of the state road department revenue and spend it for advertising" etc. — Ernest Graham as quoted in Miami Beach Daily Topics.

Florida — least of all Highlands county where so much depends the next few years on federal aid for roads — will not like that idea, Mr. Graham. It will cripple Florida's future and we can't afford it. It will be too expensive.

Florida will get several million dollars per year federal aid for roads after this war is over — IF we don't start diverting gasoline tax. The minute we start diverting the gas tax to any further purposes federal aid halts. We almost lost it in 1937 when Comptroller Jim Lee came to the rescue and stopped diversion just in the nick of time — just as the federal auditors came into the state to check up.

If we took one per cent of the state road fund for advertising or any purpose it would net about $220,000 per year. And it would endanger federal aid that has been averaging almost ten times that amount for some years.

Pretty expensive, eh? And where would the present budget to finish Route 19 through our county go if we lost that much federal aid.

(Note: Just in case the reader doesn't know — Congress many years ago passed the Hayden-Cartwright act providing that Federal highway aid up to ½ of the annual grant shall be withheld from any state which diverts the gasoline tax to additional purposes after the passage of that law).

### FLORIDA'S GREAT LOSS

All Florida will miss S. E. Thomason, for two decades publisher of that great southern Florida institution "The Tampa Morning Tribune. He left his mark as he "passed our way" and it has been a high mark, leaving our people in his debt.

We look back on his early days in the west coast metropolis when, finding the citrus problem on everybody's doorstep and receiving attention from none, he waded in "where angels feared to tread." With characteristic vigor he started the ball rolling that laid the foundation for much of the industry's later prosperity.

Yes he has left a better Florida for his having been amongst us.

### OUT OF PLACE

The gentlemen who prepared the campaign announcement of our good friend Judge Ollie Edmunds, seeking Claude Pepper's seat in the senate, indulged in a gentle bit of hokum that undoubtedly drew many hearty laughs probably reaching down into the midriff section. The announcement as printed in the Jacksonville Times-Union quoted the judge as bemoaning the fact that he faced the pressure of the money bags of big business.

Whatever Claude Pepper may have on his side it will be rather hard to successfully accuse him of such a position and whoever the Judge may have on his side it seems to be generally acknowledged that big business is definitely aligned with any man who can beat Pepper. It is an unquestioned fact that most of the men who have made big money out of this war are aligned against Senator Pepper and the president. To expect voters to believe otherwise is to discount their intelligence too much.

### SIMPLY SIMPLE

After all the hokum raised in Congress about the "terrible" income tax form which Congress blamed on everybody but Congress we learn now in rather graphic word pictures just who is responsible.

Front pages headline the new simplified tax structure for the income tax payers. And can you guess who is fixing it?

Yep, you guessed it. Congress.

If Congress can do the job right now — why didn't Congress do the job right a long while ago. We seem to recall that Mr. Morgenthau — much bedamned in Congress — pleaded for elimination of the victory tax column "way back yonder." Now it's being done.

Anyhow — if Congress can do it now, Congress could have done it before. Why not?

## "TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY"

(BY RUSSELL RAY)

Striking evidence of the desire of the National Association of Manufacturers to bring about a better understanding and mutual harmony between labor and industry in the solution of postwar problems, was shown at the recent conference held in Atlantic City.

NAM sent an invitation to 16 groups to attend the conference. Fifty of the Nation's leaders and policy makers of labor, industry, business, agriculture, commerce, transportation and other interests, came as delegates. When they were assembled, representatives of the Association of Manufacturers, who had called the meeting, stepped out of the picture and joined the gathering on the conference floor as one of the groups.

Members of all groups then proceeded to organize the meeting and Clinton Golden, assistant to the president of the CIO and vice chairman of the War Labor Board, was selected as Chairman with Walter D. Fuller, president of the Curtis Publishing Company, and representative of the NAM named as vice chairman.

The final findings of the conference were that all interests must unselfishly unite and accept their joint responsibility for the establishment of an economy of plenty that will provide full employment at fair wages, prevent ruinous farm prices and violent business fluctuations such as are reflected in booms and depressions. All agreed that if under a system of private enterprise this is not done, then the task would fall to government and bureaucratic agencies would take over with consequent further drastic restriction, regulation and control of all groups.

While certain elements in all groups continue sniping at each other as they seek their own advantage, it is becoming generally recognized that only through cooperation, understanding and mutual agreement of all interests can the present desirable system of free enterprise be maintained. Each group is directly affected by the action of any other. When business attempts to force unemployment and cheap labor, or labor on the other hand imposes unnecessary hardship on business, the whole scheme of things is thrown off balance. The same holds true with agriculture. The prosperity of all is intermingled.

A wise philosopher once said, "The things concerning which men agree are more important than the things about which they differ." Thus conferences between men that first consider those questions upon which there is mutual agreement do not find it so difficult to reach an understanding on questions of difference. The simple answer is found in the application of the "Golden Rule" in all transactions and it is only when we depart from that rule and attempt to invoke the dictates of selfishness and greed in our dealings that we run into trouble.

The failure of labor, industry and other groups to keep their house clean in the past is the basic cause of most of our economic ills today. In consequence all groups and all interests find themselves bound in burdensome strait-jackets of governmental red tape, regimentation, regulation and controls, intended to protect and safeguard, but which in reality retard their progress and make life more difficult.

This Atlantic City conference is epoch making for it demonstrates that labor, industry, business, agriculture and other groups, despite their differences, can gather around a friendly board voluntarily and discuss their problems. How much better this is than to wait until such differences breed distrust, hate and bitterness to the end that opposing interests are brought by compulsion and outraged public opinion to the council table.

No nation on earth has greater reason to look with pride upon the accomplishments of labor, industry and agriculture. Each under the free enterprise system has demonstrated its ability to achieve miraculous results. Results that so far exceed anything accomplished by totalitarian countries as to leave no argument as to which system is best.

Like a flickering candle that dispels the darkness, — a first step in the right direction, — this National Postwar Conference offers great hope for the future. If future conferences continue on the same course and all interests adhere to the age old principles of justice and fair play, much of the irksome present day restrictions, regulations and control can be eliminated.

There is a lot of house cleaning that will have to be done, but it can be done if men will it so. A change in government's attitude must also be brought about to eliminate laws that are unfair and unjust and which tend to create strife and ill will between interests. This too is possible and can be brought about by public demand.

## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TOM W. DOBSON)

Sunday evening bingo players who vied for cigarette prizes also found themselves competing after the bingo session at our Snack Bar for delicious cakes and cookies which were brought to the club by Mrs. Alice McCarthy, Mrs. Dennis Mandis and Mrs. R. W. Hartt. We wish to thank these ladies in behalf of the service personnel for bringing these delicious cakes and cookies to the club. Servicemen and their wives truly enjoy homecooked pastries.

We are very happy to welcome into our Hostess group Mrs. Dennis Mandis and Mrs. Alice McCarthy. Mrs. Mandis assisted this past Sunday in our Snack Bar, while Mrs. McCarthy spent her time in our information office. We feel that both of these ladies will be a grand help to our organization.

Sgt. Harry Newell and his 740th Rangers orchestra continue to give the dancers on Tuesday night the kind of music they are asking for. The result is that the attendance at this dance continues to grow. However, we certainly need many more girls to serve as Junior Hostess dancing partners. Once again I appeal to the local girls to help by attending our regular Tuesday night dance. Senior Hostesses in attendance on Tuesday were Mrs. P. L. Rumpel, Mrs. R. R. Porterfield, Mrs. C. Parke Anderson, and Mrs. Charles F. Kenney. Mrs. S. C. Pardee helped in the serving of hamburgers in the Snack Bar. Guests of the evening were A. P. A. A. F. Chaplains Joseph Healy and Francis Stewart. Also putting in an appearance was the man-about-town, Sir Charles F. Kenney. During the course of the evening Sgt. Harry Newell played a new arrangement for the dancers written by Mrs. Charles F. Kenney. Door prize winners for the evening were, for the men, Prt. Clarence Hughes of A. P. A. A. F., and, for the ladies, Mrs. Jane Ness of Pennsylvania.

The Baby Contest which was held here this past Sunday was indeed quite a sight to behold. Proud parents watched their tots strut before the judges, comprised of Mrs. John F. Crahan, T/Sgt. Harry Newell, and Miss Alice Altenbaugh. Many prizes were awarded as the judges found it quite difficult to overlook any child. The grand prize of the day was awarded to Jay Kirk, son of Cpl. and Mrs. J. F. Kirk.

The Feature Movie to be shown at the U. S. O. on Wednesday at 8:00 P. M. is entitled "The Fleet's In," starring Dorothy Lamour, William Holden and Jimmie Dorsey and his orchestra. An invitation to attend is extended to the many service personnel and their wives located in this area.

War Bonds should mean something more to you than just "a good sound investment." Figure it out yourself.

## Easter Services Announced For Episcopal Church

The Church of the Redeemer will observe Holy Week and Easter according to the rites and traditions of the Historic Church.:

On Palm Sunday, April 2nd, there will be celebrations of the Holy Communion at 8:00 and 11:00 A. M. There will also be celebrations of the Holy Communion each day at 10:00 o'clock, Monday through Thursday.

On Good Friday, April 7th, the faithful will keep the traditional three-hour devotions from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p. m. This year the Rector, The Rev. John Elis Daley, will deliver the devotional meditations on "The Clock of the Sacred Passion." This embraces the last twenty-four hours of our Lord's Earthly Life; beginning with the Institution of the Blessed Sacrament and concluding with the Entombment. All of the people of the Community are invited to attend this service, and to "keep the watch" with Christ during the Commemoration of His Crucifixion. The Service will begin promptly at 12:00 o'clock noon with the ringing of the Church bells, and will end at 3:00 o'clock with the tolling of the bells 33 times, indicating Christ's age at His death.

On Saturday afternoon, Easter Even, the Sacraments of Holy Baptism will be administered at 4:00 o'clock.

On Sunday morning, Easter Day, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 6:00 A. M., followed by a Corporate Breakfast in the Parish House. At 11 o'clock there will be the regular Choral Eucharist and Sermon.

Those who fail to make their Easter Communion "Duty" on Easter Day may do so at 10:00 a. m. on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday in Easter Week.


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WE BELIEVES: That a man who stirs up racial strife and discord in violation of Southern tradition is a menace to the state and nation and to the war effort and should be retired from public life.

WE BELIEVES: In the traditional policy of southern Democrats that the party principle of white supremacy must be maintained.

WE BELIEVES: That the people of Florida will protect their heritage of Americanism, won on the field of battle and at the polls.

WE BELIEVES: That today labor and business are slaves of government instead of the government being the servant of the people. Labor's hard-won gains over half a century must not be lost by legislation that gives bureaucrats the power to deny labor's right to bargain freely with the employer.

WE BELIEVES: That free enterprise is the backbone of American progress and prosperity. He believes that the power-greedy heads of the bureaucracy must come off the throne and that spending control of farms, American business and industry should be returned to those who built them and are qualified to run them.

WE BELIEVES: That the future is lost if the continuation of socialistic tendencies means the return of our fighting forces to WPA jobs instead of jobs supplied by Florida's farms, businesses and industries.

WE BELIEVES: In the Jeffersonian principle of the rights of the states to govern themselves. He is opposed to a paternalistic, dictatorial government, which sets up in Florida a vast political machine of non-civil service federal employees.

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# APAAF Instructor Veteran of 138 Bombing Missions

(From HIGH SCORE)

High Score this week presents an exciting account of combat experience by 1st Lt. Charles F. Jones, an instructor of celestial navigation with the 60th Bomb Op. 318 Squadron, at APAAF.

Lt. Jones, whose home is 843 East 60th Street, Chicago, was



Lt. Charles F. Jones

born in Logansport, Ind., on December 6, 1920.

Having an urge for flying and seeking his first ride in a plane, the Chicagoan joined the RCAF at Windsor, Ontario, February 14, 1940. He received nine months navigator's training at Malton, just a few miles from Toronto but before embarking for overseas duty, he was sent to three special navigation schools for further training. While stationed in Canada, Lt. Jones was assigned to convoy patrol, convoy duty, and anti-sub patrol.

**Reaches for England**

On April 26, 1941, the RCAF flier flew to England in a Hudson where he was assigned to an overseas training unit. Later was assigned as navigator on a Wellington patrol and torpedo bomber.

On a mission near Iceland, Lt. Jones' plane coming out of a low cloud spotted a U-boat on the surface. The U-boat crew also spotted the plane and both dived at the same instant. Right depth charges turned loose from the bomber struck the sub diagonally and she was blown out of the water — no survivors.

**Shot Down on Patrol Mission**

Following these patrol missions, Lt. Jones attended a torpedo school in Scotland. While on a patrol mission from this Base the RCAF plane was shot down in the North Atlantic by a Junkers 88. The tail gunner was lost but the rest of the crew was saved. Lt. Jones spent two weeks in a hospital recovering from burns.

After his ship hit the water Lt. Jones helped a crew member, who was suffering from a head injury, to safety. He pitched him through the astro dome hatch of the plane; and also aided the radio operator in escaping. To save himself, the officer kicked a hole in the side of the plane but while attempting to crawl out, he was caught at the waistline. The radio man came to his rescue and pulled him free by grasping his hair. To quote the lieutenant: "I am certainly glad that I am not bald."

**Attends Investiture in London**

While attending torpedo school, Lt. Jones, along with the pilot and radio operator of his ship, received invitations to attend an investiture at Buckingham Palace. They went to London a few days before the event of August 20, 1941 wearing full dress uniforms. Arriving at the palace gate at seven o'clock in the morning, they had to turn in their beautiful gold engraved invitations in order to enter the grounds. After being ushered into a small reception hall, a palace attendant came in and showed the fliers how to salute and bow.

At eleven o'clock the formal ceremonies began; the trumpets sounded and the bugles blared. The King and Queen and the two Princesses came in with all the ushers and usherettes and were seated.

When Lt. Jones' name was called to receive his decoration, he saluted, bowed and took two paces forward and the King pinned on the British Air Force Cross.

The only American to be honored that day, Lt. Jones was made to feel very much at ease when talking with the King. He asked where he was from, how long he had been in the RCAF and how he was enjoying himself. The King evidenced much interest in the American flier and when the ceremony ended, the group had their pictures taken.

Following these formalities they were taken to another small room where they were served tea and enjoyed dancing. Each honored guest had a turn do dance with the Princesses. Lt. Jones says: "When I danced with Princess Elizabeth my knees were knocking; after all it was one of the few times in my life that I ever danced. Just think, I didn't step on her feet once."

**Shot Down Twice in 8 Days**

After finishing torpedo school, the crew continued operations over the North Sea, dropping mines and then left for Alexandria where they were assigned their first torpedo operations. Later Lt. Jones was sent to Malta and while there was shot down twice in eight days. The first time he spent 17 hours in a dinghy, 125 miles off the coast and the second time he fasted 14 hours in the small craft awaiting a pickup.

**"More Fun — More People Killed"**

On another mission Lt. Jones led a squadron of torpedo planes on a mission against two 10,000 ton tankers and seven Italian destroyers. The enemy losses were two tankers and four destroyers sunk; one destroyer damaged so badly that it was sunk by a British cruiser the next day; and another so seriously damaged that it would be dry docked for six months. No trace was found of the seventh destroyer. "We had more fun than you could shake a stick at — we certainly got a shot that night," relates the RCAF navigator. For this mission Lt. Jones received the British Distinguished Flying Cross presented by Air Chief Marshall Parks at Malta.

**Joins U. S. Army Air Force**

On November 24, 1943, the RCAF navigator became a member of the U. S. Army, 8th Air Force, stationed in England. At this time he had completed 113 missions, one U-boat confirmed, one possible, seven ships confirmed, six probable, and twelve damaged. He was assigned to a bomb group and a squadron called "Fightin Bitin." This squadron went on 45 bombing raids over Europe with the loss of only one man — an all time record.

**On First U. S. Plane Over Germany**

As a member of the AAF, Lt. Jones relates: "My first raid was over Saint Nazaire. On my third raid, my plane "Little Audrey" was the first American plane to fly across Germany proper. The bombardier and I had a fight in the nose of the plane to see who was going to be the first man across. He being bigger than I, won out. Our top turret gunner on the plane was T/Sgt. Glenn R. Wyly, who is also on this Base in the 317th Bomb Squadron in charge of gunnery instructors."

"On our fifth raid over Saint Nazaire, our plane was hit in the left wing 127 times. We also had 1½ feet of the right wing tip knocked off. The tail gunner was injured by a piece of flak which cut his oxygen line causing him to pass out. We revived him on the way home. Both of the waist gunners were knocked down, one had his ear phone knocked off and the other had a piece of flak go through his back parachute. The pilot and co-pilot's windshield had been blown out and I had two flak holes, one on either side of my window and a bullet hole in the center. On this same raid, the waist gunner got one Fulke-Wulfe 190, the bombardier got two and I shot down my first plane. On my last raid a piece of flak stopped within ¼ inch of my head. I carry it with me in my pocket as a souvenir. Our target on this raid was Hanover and it was my final and 138th raid."

**Bombed 18 Enemy Cities**

Lt. Jones has been on bombing missions over Saint Nazaire, Lorient, Paris, Rouen, Rennes, Amiens, Mesaulte, Lille, Brennen, Vegesack, Wilhelmshaven, Emden, Huls, Hamm, Hanover, Kiel, Rotterdam, and Antwerp.

He has shot down three fighters confirmed, two possible and three damaged. His decorations include the American DFC, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, British Distinguished Flying Cross and British Air Force Cross. He also has a RAF Flying Gold Fish badge emblematic of being shot down in the sea. It carries three stars indicating three times in the "drink".


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## Lenten Tea At Mandis Home Monday Afternoon

A lovely affair of Monday afternoon was the annual Lenten tea, given by the Altar Guild of the Episcopal Church from three 'til five o'clock at the home of Mrs. Demos Mandis.

The tea table, overlaid with an exquisite lace cloth, and daintily appointed in gleaming silver, was centered with a low silver bowl, filled with sweetheart roses and blue lupin. The centerpiece was flanked on either side by silver candlesticks holding tall white tapers. Silver trays held sandwiches, small cakes and homemade cookies. Mrs. Alexander Gilmour poured from three' 'til four, and Mrs. John Daley, from five to six. Other attractive bouquets of roses decorated the rooms of the Mandis home for the occasion. About fifty guests called during the designated hours.

## Births

Lieut. and Mrs. Ray D. Lohr of 2924 Lewis Ave., Tampa., have announced the birth of a daughter, Patricia Gay, March 17. Lt. Lohr, who is a brother of Mrs. J. L. Wells is in England.

The Board of Directors of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Building at 8:15 P. M.
All members invited to attend meetings.
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## Personals

David Lanier of The Bolles School, Jacksonville, spent last week end at his home.

Lewis Johnson of Baltimore, Md., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd last week end.

Paul Jordon of Jacksonville, spent the past week end here with his family.

Mrs. J. L. Wells and daughter, Miss Betty Jo Wells spent the past week end in Tampa with Mrs. Wells' sister-in-law, Mrs. Ray Lohr.

Miss Helen Jarrett, Miss Jean Cannon, and Miss Ruth Newton spent the past week end in West Palm Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Jordon spent several days in Jacksonville this week on business, and while there visited their son, Paul Jordon.

J. A. Brown, chief petty officer of the intelligence department of the navy in Miami, spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. L. S. Brendle.

Troy Wells, Second class petty officer in the Navy, stationed at Camp Peary, Williamsburg, Va., is arriving home this week end to visit his mother, Mrs. Lucy Blum.

Mrs. H. W. Harden, Miss Ethelle Harden, Bobby Harden, Pvt. and Mrs. Bert Angelus and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Harden spent last Sunday in Sarasota.

S. N. Pitchford left Friday for his home in Walhalla, S. C., after spending the winter here with his daughter, Mrs. T. H. Hughs and family.

Mrs. C. S. English, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Mabry and daughter, Barbara of Miami were recent guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lockett and other relatives here.

C. H. Lewiston, who has spent the past several months in Chicago, has returned to his home in Avon Park. He is again associated with the Coca Cola Bottling Company.

Mrs. J. C. Stock and Mrs. R. L. Morgan will return to their homes in Martinsburg, Pa., Monday after enjoying a three weeks visit with their brothers-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Singleton.

Mrs. Julius Blake has been spending this week in Ft. Meade as the guest of Mrs. Shirley Underwood. She is returning home today, and will leave for Miami to visit Mrs. Esther Blake.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fatz and two children are here from Philadelphia for a three weeks visit with Mrs. Fats' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hutchinson, 413 Tulane Circle.

Miss Martha Jeuther, who has been ill for several weeks, entered a Tampa hospital Monday for treatment. Miss Margaretha Vogt accompanied her to Tampa, and stayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Marlin, returning home Wednesday night.

Miss Marjorie Wells, student at Winthrop college, Rock Hill, S. C., will arrive next week to spend the Easter holidays at her home. She will be accompanied by Miss Peggy Phillips of Spartanburg, S. C., also a student at the college, and who will be her house guest.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stuckey, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cain, and Miss Irol Berg were in Sarasota and Bradenton last Sunday. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland, former Avon Park residents, while in Bradenton.

Mrs. Leslie Schwier, who has been visiting in Louisiana and Illinois, arrived this week to visit her sister, Mrs. L. D. Geiger. Lt. Schwier is now stationed at Alexandria, La. Mrs. Schwier was formerly Miss Eva Hendry, and made her home in Avon Park before her marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Richardson and son, Louis III, of Chicago, Illinois, are arriving today for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porterfield. Mrs. Richardson has visited in Avon Park on numerous occasions, but this is Mr. Richardson's first visit to Florida. He is a brother of Mrs. Porterfield.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to extend sincere thanks for floral tributes, cards and letters of sympathy, also to neighbors and friends for kindness shown before and after the death of our husband and father.
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## Church Notes

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)**
Rev. John Kibbe Daley, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday, Bible study, 8:00 P. M. by Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (MORMON)**
Branch organizations are established and regular Sunday services are held each week at the following places of worship:
Bradenton: Odd Fellow's Hall.
Fort Myers: Edison College Building.
Belle Glade: Women's Club.
Fort Pierce: Women's Club.
Chapels:
Miami:
Fort Lauderdale:
West Palm Beach:
For further information write, Elder H. C. Cunningham, Box 949, Miami, Fla.

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.
Subject Sunday morning — "Singing."
Subject Sunday night — "The Other Side."

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.: Sermon topic: "In Quest Of A Kingdom."
Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.: Sermon topic: "The Roman Centurion."
Thursday 8:00 P. M. Pre-Easter Communion Service.

**CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**
"UNREALITY" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, April 2.

The Golden Text is: "Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel" (Jeremiah 3:23).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Thus saith the Lord, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain? Saying to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth" (Jeremiah 2:5, 27).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Divine Science deals its chief blow at the supposed material foundations of life and intelligence. It dooms idolatry. A belief in other gods, other creators, and other creations must go down before Christian Science" (p. 535:10-14).

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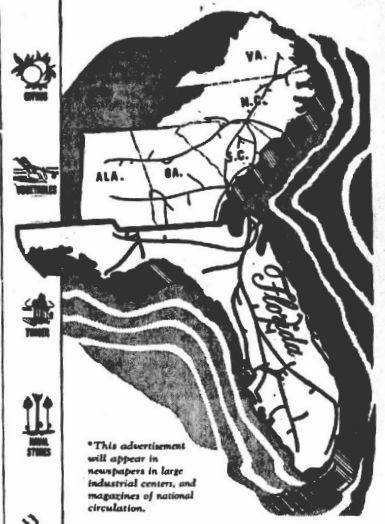

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# BLACK SOMBRERO

by CLIFFORD KNIGHT ~ WNU SERVICE

Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood artist, is disinherited by her Aunt Kitty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers and Barry Madison go to Mazatlan, Mexico, to solve what they believe to be Kitty Chatfield's murder. On arrival they find that Elsa's party had preceded them by plane. During a siesta at the ranch of Sam Chatfield (Elsa's father) James Chesebro is murdered. Lombardo, chief of Mexican police, arrests Reed Barton. Chatfield promises to use his influence to get Barton out. The party goes on a fishing trip for marlin, and on their return decide to visit Reed Barton. He has already been freed. They decide to go swordfishing next day in the Pacific rollers.

## CHAPTER XIII

"Did you hear that Reed Barton has been released?" he asked.

"Yes. He's now dancing with Elsa at the hotel here."

"It was too early to arrest him—or anybody else, for that matter," he said.

A friendly hand struck me lightly on the shoulder and I turned about to discover Dwight Nichols. Sam Chatfield was with him.

"Still sleuthing, you two?" Dwight asked, and when Rogers repeated the observation he had just made to me, Dwight laughed. "Why not have a table? The night's young, and the beer's good."

So we moved to a table and ordered a round of beer. As the mozo set the order on the table, a stocky figure in a huge black sombrero shoved in and sat down in the remaining vacant seat.

"Hello, fellows," rasped the husky voice of George Rumble. "Mind if I set down with you white guys? I get fed up with these Mexicans. Maybe all this around me is glamour, but I think it's the bunk."

"Every fellow to his own taste," remarked Sam Chatfield. "I love Mexico."

"I don't. I wish I was heading home tomorrow."

"What's keeping you?" I asked, striving for a humorous jibe.

There was a hurt expression in Rumble's eyes as if I had struck him an unexpected blow, and I apologized for the remark.

"Oh, I know you mean it all right, Barry," he replied. "Maybe I have hollered too much about this town. I guess it's true what they say; when you leave the good old U.S.A. you can't expect the same service. We're tops in everything. But since you ask me, there's only one thing that's keeping me. That's Elsa."

"Elsa?" echoed Sam Chatfield, turning to Rumble questioningly.

"Yes. You know, Chatfield, if I had a Chinaman's chance with her, I'd soon be calling you Poppa."

An extraordinary expression flickered briefly in Sam Chatfield's round, tanned face. Dwight laughed.

"I mean it," insisted Rumble. "Elsa is the swellest little person I've ever met, and I've been around quite a bit." He turned abruptly and glared at Dwight. "What are you laughing at?" he demanded. "I never was a guy to hide what I think and feel. If I love Elsa I'm going to say so. But I know I haven't got a chance. If Elsa was my wife, though, I wouldn't be a cheater, like some fellows." He plunged a hand into the pocket of his brown slacks and drew forth a billfold, opened it, took out a hundred dollar bank note and dropped it in front of Dwight. "I don't want it," he said.

Dwight Nichols half rose in his chair; his face had drained of its color underneath his tan. His fists were clenched and his lips set tight. An angry light was in his eyes and the next moment he would have launched himself upon Rumble, who continued to sit, a scornful look on his face, glaring at Dwight.

"Gentlemen!" warned Sam Chatfield sharply. "Don't forget yourselves."

"I haven't," Rumble reminded him. Dwight sank down into his seat; his hands dropped trembling upon the table. "And I suppose," Rumble continued, preparing to leave, "that you'd rather I got out." He glared about the table as if we all were his enemies. "Well, I'll go." He stood up. His eyes caught the gaze of Rogers. "Hunt," he said, "I ain't got anything against you. I'm wise to some things you'd like to know. You want to know who killed the Chatfield woman, and who killed Chesebro. I'll see you later; it'll interest you to hear what I can tell you."

Rumble pushed away from our table, pulled his enormous black sombrero down upon his forehead, and walked through the crowded bar and out into the night. No one spoke until the door had closed behind him. Then Sam Chatfield said, "Extraordinary person."

"Yes, isn't he?" Dwight agreed nervously. He picked up the bank note, folded it precisely and slipped it into his pocket. His gaze swept about to include all of us. His bit his lips slightly, then said, "Well, Rumble has made it necessary for me to explain something."

"Not if you don't feel like doing it, Dwight," I counseled. He brushed my remark aside with an impatient gesture.

"I'll be brief." His voice was crisp. "I was the man who ran from Kitty Chatfield's house the evening she died—the panicky man—and not Reed Barton. Rumble lied the other night, damn him, when he said it was Reed. I knew that he knew it was I, but I couldn't fathom why he lied about it. I thought, though, that it was for blackmail. Anyway, I gave him the hundred yesterday, and he asked, 'What's that for?' and I said, 'Think it over.' I thought everything was all right, and that he'd be quiet, or else raise the ante on me if he thought it was worth more than that."

"But blackmail—" began Rogers.

"Yes, I know, Hunt. I'm the last person in the world to submit to that, but—you don't know Margaret. I'd rather cut my own throat than have her suspect me of any wrongdoing; I wouldn't deceive her for worlds. I never have. There was never anything between me and Kitty Chatfield, except a friendship. But I never could explain to Margaret why I was at Kitty's that evening. She thought I was at the Explorer's Club meeting. As a matter of fact I did go to the meeting. Kitty telephoned me there and asked me to come over at once; she said she needed my advice about something. It was urgent, but she wouldn't tell me what it was on the telephone. And I never did find out, because—she was dead when I got there. I'd entered without knocking, stumbled over the body on the floor. I heard some-



His fists were clenched and his lips set tight.

body moving around upstairs. Someone came in at the front door—Margaret has since said that it was she—and I did get panicky. I ran out. I didn't stop running until I was up the street a way. Perhaps I passed Rumble; he says I did. I don't know."

He ended his confession, plunged his hand into his pocket for his cigarettes, and lighted one before any of us could speak.

The rhythmical beat of the ship's engines filled my waking consciousness. For some minutes in the faint light of dawn I lay looking at the humped figure of Hutton Rogers in the opposite bunk, not realizing what it was or why there was the sound of the engines. Finally I roused completely, got up and looked out of the porthole, and then before my eyes, fading in the morning mists, was the sleeping town of Mazatlan.

"Oh, yes," I muttered to myself, returning to my bunk, "we're going fishing."

And so we were. At last Dwight Nichols was to indulge in the sport that had brought him so far from home, and which had suffered interruption and delay by what had happened on shore at Mazatlan. Not until after breakfast, however, did Mazatlan and all it stood for fall away from me like a cloak dropped from the shoulders, and I became a part of the Orizaba and a member of a fishing party. Margaret looked up from her plate as breakfast drew to a close, and exclaimed, "Why, where's George Rumble?"

For a moment no one replied, and then Arturo, the flat-faced Filipino who served, spoke apologetically.

"I'm so sorry, Mrs. Nichols. The gentleman in question do not come aboard las' night, as you say for him to do."

Sam Chatfield was talkative, more so than at any time yet in my brief acquaintance with him.

"You and Elsa are quite good friends, aren't you?" he observed sociably, as he watched Dwight paying out the teaser, a cunningly carved and pivoted piece of wood which began to leap and wriggle and twist like a crazy fish in the choppy water.

"Look to starboard, gentlemen," sang out Reed Barton, pointing in the direction. "A collection of fins, or I'm mistaken."

"Where?" demanded Sam Chatfield eagerly, swinging about in his swivel chair.

"About two hundred yards." Dwight estimated, motioning to the man at the wheel to change our course slightly to cross in front of our quarry.

Suddenly the three dorsal fins cutting the water near by disappeared. We crossed and re-crossed what we deemed to be the area where they might be found, but there was no sign. We stood in closer to the larger of the rocky islets. Something struck on Dwight's tackle, and was gone again. He reeled in and found part of his bait bitten off and he set to work to sew on another. Before he had finished Rogers called out as he had done in the bay at Mazatlan, "Thar she blows!"

A great silvery fish a quarter of a mile or so nearer the shore line leaped clear of the water, seemed to walk on its tail and fell back with a splash visible from our small launch.

"They're here, gentlemen," declared Sam Chatfield with satisfaction. "It wouldn't be according to best tradition, however, to catch our fill the first half hour we go out. That isn't fishing. Although the last time I was here we took three in a short afternoon. That's—" He gripped his rod as his reel whined; something had struck hard.

"That's it, Sam!" shouted Dwight. "That's a marlin."

"Yes, I think so, Dwight."

He let the line run out, then his body suddenly stiffened. He checked his reel and pulled hard to sink his hook. A veritable submarine explosion followed at the end of his line, and away the line went for a long run, while Sam Chatfield settled down in his seat, the muscles about his mouth set hard, his eyes intent upon the area of blue water in which his marlin must be.

"Oh—oh, fellows," shouted Reed Barton. "I've got something. 'Tisn't a marlin, though.

"So have I," echoed Rogers.

They each had hooked a mackerel of five or six pounds, and were proceeding to reel them in when suddenly Sam Chatfield's marlin came to life. The swivel chair under him groaned and creaked as he braced himself to hold the giant fish in its desperate threshings below the surface. Little by little he had reeled it in close, but it was not yet ready for the gaff. Suddenly the dorsal fin of a marlin appeared close by the launch, drawn, as we were soon to realize, by the rushes of the two mackerel.

"Look, fellows," Reed Barton shouted. "He's after my fish!"

Indeed it was; the sharp sword was pointed in the direction of Reed's fish, now fighting at the surface. With an incredible rush the marlin was upon it, striking it with his sword.

It was Rogers who first realized the danger we were in; he called a warning. "I don't like that thing too near, Dwight." He started vigorously to reel in his own catch. The next moment I saw two wicked little turquoise blue eyes rising through the water, gleaming like sparkling gems as they caught the rays of the sun. And then something hit the launch.

We were a long time piecing together exactly what occurred in the next few seconds of time. We went over and over it to make sure that we were correct in the sequence of events, and to the best of our belief this is what occurred: Sam Chatfield's marlin put on the brakes only a few feet, perhaps, below the surface and not far from the launch. Sam, thereupon, sat back hard in his chair, and the swivel mechanism beneath him gave way and he fell suddenly to the deck. The marlin must then have executed a turn and headed back toward his enemy in the launch.

This accident at the height of the excitement which gripped us, with two marlin being played, Rogers and Reed Barton both reeling in smaller catches, which of a sudden were being pursued by a hungry marlin, was bewildering. Sam Chatfield appeared to scramble to his feet; he had thought only for his fish. But the breaking chair underneath him and his abrupt fall dislodged the butt of his rod from its leather socket, which struck him a hard blow in the pit of the stomach, for he grunted sharply as if his breath had been knocked partly from him. He had sufficient strength to get to his feet and presence of mind to keep a firm grip on his rod with a single hand, but as he rose to his feet he was off balance. The launch was pitching in the small chop of the waves, and of a sudden, before we could lift a hand, he toppled over the stern into the water.

So startling was this, and so quickly did it happen, that no one even so much as cried out. At the same time Rogers had risen to his feet in a desperate effort to swing his small fish from the water out of the reach of the pursuing marlin. There was a final short rush of a huge torpedo-like body rising from below, a mighty splashing as Sam Chatfield came gasping to the surface of the water, and the huge marlin he had been playing was upon him. Before our horrified gaze the long rapier-like bony sword drove directly through Sam Chatfield's chest from front to back.

(TO BE CONTINUED)




## Wartime Shopping in Naples

*By Doris Fleeson*

*(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with Woman's Home Companion.)*

As a woman here in Naples and just back from the fighting front, I'm often reminded of the wisecrack that Americans are fighting the war for souvenirs. Certainly the No. 1 occupation of the Fifth army men when off duty is shopping for gifts for their women back home.

The rush to buy is tremendous despite rising prices and the fact that goods are getting scarcer. The early birds, for instance, got silk stockings. Remember? Italy was a pgtner of Japan. Now the popular light shades are exhausted and a few stockings left come in dark dismally unflattering shades.

Besides silk stockings, a run has been made on gloves and on coral, tortoiseshell and cameo jewelry. Back home now it ought to be easy to spot a girl with a Fifth army beau.

**It often seems to me that my most important job here is to be shopping adviser to about a hundred thousand men, all of whom need help. I am the girl who knows what's what—or that's what they tell me. My entrance into a shop, or my posing a street peddler, is the signal for all the soldiers present to rush me for advice: "Will my girl like this? Do you think this will fit my mother?"**

Stockings were easy because I know they are welcome anywhere, and a quiz session with the soldier gave me a reasonable chance to guess the correct size. But I am forced to admit that the last woman I saw wearing a cameo was my grandmother, and I perspired trying to think up just what to say when a soldier held one of these ornate objects in his hand and said hopefully: "Don't you think my girl would like this?"

If the cameo was for his mother it didn't worry so much. I figured his mother would never admit that anything her son sent her was other than just what her heart desired. But I did want to guard against having the gentleman disappointed by his girl friend's response. So I preached a strong anti-junk campaign.

**Lots of Gaudy Junk.**

But mountains of parcels poured into Italy, and lots of junk must have been included. The boys tried hard. I can testify that they searched, bargained and debated for hours before they made up their "Bundles for America." Their self-consciously pleased expressions as they sent the packages off were deeply touching. Mail means the world to them, and they were replying in kind.

Mail — any mail — is the great event. Not so much what's in a letter or a package—although that is important too, and any commander can tell which boys have wheners at all times—but the getting of it is what counts. Home town newspapers are prized—the smaller the town the better. News that has a personal touch is what's wanted, and characters in small towns become more and more real, even to boys who never heard of the place in America.

**Besides being an inveterate shopper, the Fifth army lad off duty is an inveterate sightseer. The ruins of Pompeii, the environs of Vesuvius and the famous Isle of Capri are overrun. Pompeii's shattered marbles have no impact for the boys who have seen endless numbers of bombed towns, but stories about the antiquities still fascinate them.**

Another popular sight is the huge Caserta, the palace which Ferdinand IV built for his consort in the 18th century. Its magnificent staircase, throne room and opera house have survived both our bombs and the Germans', and therein the army Joes and the nurses happily burlesque royalty.

Speaking of royal palaces reminds me of my Naples apartment, which I share with Red Cross girls and whatever visiting firemen's cousins along—one night a dignified hospital inspector, the next night two sloe-eyed Italian dancers giggling happily over their soldier audiences' enthusiasm. I'm reminded because, as the old vaudeville joke has it, my apartment and the royal palace are so different—though compared with the front it is a palace indeed.

**Filled With Equipment.**

The rooms are piled high with bedrolls, helmets and canteens, but the beds are soft and sheeted and there is a place to hang clothes. The main room is regally spacious, marble-floored and well ventilated—the ventilation, to be sure, owing to repeated bombings.

**A brisk walk from the main room brings one to a bathroom where, at the price of smoky rooms and a lungful of carbon dioxide, it is possible to build a fire in a small stove and wring out of it three inches of rusty hot water.**

# Washington Digest

## GOP Leader Places Faith In Simple Election Formula



**Harrison Spangler, Party Chairman, Sees Republican Victory as Result of Complete Effective Local Organization.**

By BAUKHAGE

*News Analyst and Commentator.*

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

On a recent sunshiny Washington afternoon, I made a pilgrimage to the Republican National committee headquarters. As I entered the white-pillared portal of the modest little house that has rented on Connecticut avenue, a number of thoughts, which may be omens of good or ill in the coming election, floated into my ken.

The house was once a private home but now it is situated amidst shops and restaurants and looks across the avenue toward a towering apartment house taken over by the Civilian Defense administration.

As I ascended the stairway to the second floor office of Chairman Harrison Spangler, memories rushed about me and I was transported back to the days when the Republican party was fighting its battle of its deepest despond. The rooms about me then housed one of the many trade organizations created by that wonderful and awful National Recovery administration presided over by the late and stormy General Iron Pants Johnson.

And later, as I chatted with Mr. Spangler, I was reminded of another circumstance, gently symbolic of the days when the elephant sulked, impotent and neglected, in his tent—the Republican committee was forced to move some two years ago from its snappier, modern quarters on Lafayette Square where it could gaze longingly at the White House on the right hand, and not too hopefully at the United States Chamber of Commerce on the other. The reason the committee had to move was because it was only a tenant on Lafayette Square and the CIO (which had tossed a million into the Democratic electioneering fund) was the landlord.

Tempora mutantur.

But if the times and the quarters have changed, so have Republican spirits. "Roosevelt won't carry two states (or was it five?)," I was confidentially informed by one of the modest laborers in the GOP vineyard.

Harrison Spangler made no tall predictions to me. He made no predictions at all. He simply told me about what he is doing, the results so far obtained. He has a simple faith that results already achieved are the precursors of victory.

### *Well-Used Word*

Spangler's forte is organization, and that's the word he uses most.

"The precinct is the squad," he said. "If you have good squads, you have a good regiment."

He has reduced the training of the squad to a very simple formula. Get one energetic worker and assign him or her 20 Republican voters. See that they vote. Mark Hanna used that system. It works. Iowa (Spangler's own state) uses it. Many others do.

The important word in the last sentence is "do." Important because Spangler used it in the present tense. In the days of the Blue Eagle, and for many years thereafter, any statement about an effective Republican political organization had to be used in the past tense. But tempora mutantur. Mr. Spangler believes that times have changed and have been changing for some time.

Chairman Spangler is not starting at scratch with his organizing; 28 states which have elected Republican governors, he pointed out to me, already have pretty good machines which are working now.

The chairman is a typical, successful businessman of a middle-sized town (Cedar Rapids, Iowa) in the Middle West. His speech and his speeches are pretty much basic English except when he "rises to pronounce" on party principles. Then he uses good old substantial political phrases marshaled in the conventional manner. But like all pre-convention committee chairmanships, his job is eschewing the overspecific. He can talk about candidates, but not a candidate, pro or con; he can talk about platforms but not about planks.

He is, according to his associates, a man of action. Already he has visited all of the northern states and that is what he is still doing, dividing his time between the field and the Washington office. He likes best to meet with a small group of leaders, about 30. He also makes his contacts with non-political organizations. (He, himself, is an Elk and a Mason.)

### *The Farm Problem*

The farm organizations will be handled en masse. Representatives of all the farm organizations have been invited to attend a meeting in Chicago early next month in order to express their views for possible incorporation in the party platform. They will meet with members of the Republican postwar advisory council's committee on agriculture. Its chairman is Governor Hickenlooper, who succeeded the late Senator McNary, father of the farm bloc.

Agriculture is one of the eight "problems" listed by the advisory council at its meeting in September, 1942. The others are foreign policy; postwar industry and employment; social welfare; federal administration; finance and currency; labor; agriculture; and international economic problems.

A staff of experts under Dr. Neil Carothers, dean of the school of business of Lehigh university, has been assembled, who assist the council, which hopes to produce timber for the party platform by scientific methods.

Chairman Spangler admits that we face a world in which conditions which will affect the election in November are likely to change radically, perhaps before the conventions; certainly before the elections. But he believes that insofar as possible, the various "problems" listed by the advisory committee should be threshed out in as much detail as possible before the convention so that they will not have to be dealt with superficially at the last moment by the platform committee at the convention.

### *Votes and Relief*

"We made several surveys covering different periods in the last a few years ago," he said, "and we found that the New Deal vote rose in direct proportion with the amount of relief in the community. The couple were grateful for the help they got and gave Roosevelt the credit; they forgot that it was the people's money they were spending. When they are able to pay their own bills, even though not for all they need, they want to be independent. They want to shake off government control and regulation."

Mr. Spangler and his associates believe that the Republican party will win—first, because of the energetic response of people which has made the rebuilding of an effective political organization possible; second, because they consider trends already evident are a factual indication of a turn of the tide.

Mr. Spangler did not attempt to argue the case of the Republican party, nor are these columns a place for such a political debate, but no one can see that he and his staff believe that they share a popular feeling that "the times have changed," "et nos mutamur illis" (and we are changed with them). The "we" meaning a voting majority of the American people.

Of such is the optimism which fills the workshop on Connecticut avenue where the one concern is the practical side of politics—there, where the shadow of the Blue Eagle once fell across the portals, not even the flutter of a ghostly feather can now be detected.

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### *Service Education*

To facilitate the educational program for servicemen overseas, the United States Armed Forces Institute has set up branches in five theaters of war—Southwest Pacific, South Pacific, Middle East, European and Alaskan theaters. Members of all branches of the American armed forces serving overseas may now apply directly to the new branches for the same courses that are given in the states through institute headquarters at Madison, Wis. The curriculum covers the range from grammar school to university subjects. An enlisted man may apply for as many courses supplied directly by USAFI as he wishes for only one enrollment fee of $2. For self-teaching courses, text books and materials are supplied free of charge.

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

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American servicemen consumed approximately 143,192,000 cups of coffee and 70,000,000 doughnuts at Red Cross clubs, canteens and clubmobiles overseas during the last 12 months.

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## ON THE HOME FRONT

RUTH WYETH SPEARS

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# Putting the War on Film

In the photographic science laboratory at the U. S. naval station, Anacostia, D. C., a staff of expert technicians labor to put the war on film. The camera has many assignments in war from reconnaissance to illustrating history books.



*A flying cameraman hangs over the side of his plane with seventy-five pounds of expensive equipment. He is urged not to return without bringing back at least the handles.*



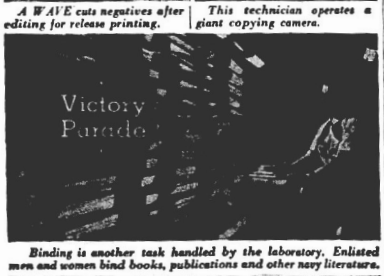
*Top: View of part of the washing, drying and sorting installations. Thousands of prints are made on each eight-hour shift. An increasing number of WAVES are being assigned to the laboratory. Bottom: Large tank washers finish photographs.*



*A WAVE cuts negatives after editing for release printing.*



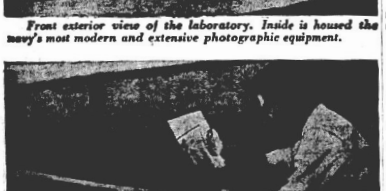
*This technician operates a giant copying camera.*




*Binding is another task handled by the laboratory. Enlisted men and women bind books, publications and other navy literature.*



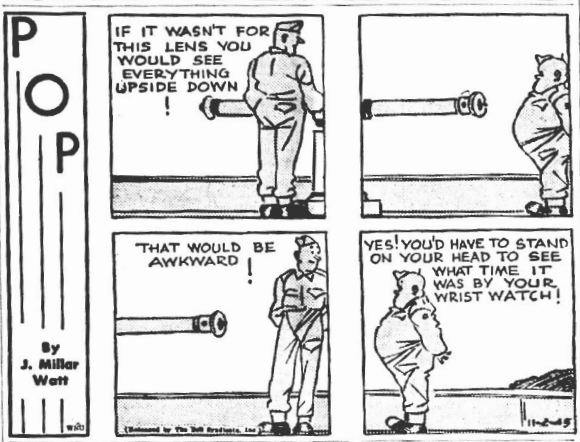
*Front exterior view of the laboratory. Inside is housed the navy's most modern and extensive photographic equipment.*



*Color photographs are produced from separation negatives like the one being viewed here.*

# • OUR COMIC SECTION •







**A CLOSE SHAVE!**



Jones—There's only one thing that keeps you from being a bare-faced liar!

Smith—Yeah? What's that?

Jones—Your mustache!

**Really Rare!**

Jones—How do you like my collection of books?

Smith—Pretty swell. Do you have a Bible?

Jones—Sure. I have a first edition!

**Fish Story**

Tourist—Did you say that fish you caught was about the size of a whale?

Native—Naw, I sed I was baiting with whales!

**Chief Loafer**

Pat—Say, I hear the foreman fired you?

Mike—You know what a foreman is—he's the one who stands around and watches his men work.

Pat—What's that got to do with it?

Mike—He got jealous of me. People thought I was the foreman!

**Fair Definition**

She—It's a dollar and sense wedding.

He—What do you mean?

She—He hasn't a dollar and she hasn't any sense.

**Bad to Worse**

Jack—What's the difference between a single man and a married man?

Mac—Easy. A single man has no buttons to his shirt, and a married man has no shirt!

**Short Year!**

Tourist—You say here in Florida you have 365 days of sunshine a year?

Guide—Well, that's a pretty conservative estimate!

**NICE WORD FOR IT**



Jack—She has a leading part in the theater.

Mac—A star, eh?

Jack—No, head usher!

**Baseball Team**

Mrs. Brown—You have nine children. A nice family. I suppose before long you'll have another?

Mrs. Blue—Oh, no!

Mrs. Brown—What makes you so sure?

Mrs. Blue—I read in a book every tenth child is a Chinese.

**Rationed**

Diner—Is this a large portion?

Waiter—Well, you never know, sir, how small a large portion is going to be these days!

# For you to make




EVEN as inexpensive a fabric as unbleached muslin can be made into mighty attractive aprons if you dress it up with bright appliques. Use bright red cotton for the cherries, green for the leaves—it will make a lovely apron!

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To obtain complete pattern for this Cherry Apron (5520) with illustrations and finishing instructions, send 16 cents in coin, your name and address and the pattern number.

Due to an unusually large demand and current war conditions, slightly more time is required in filling orders for a few of the most popular pattern numbers.

Send your order to:

SEWING CIRCLE NEEDLEWORK
530 South Wells St. Chicago.

Enclose 16 cents (coin) for each pattern desired.

No.

Name

Address

RELIEF

Just 2 drops Penetro Nose Drops in each nostril help relieve breathe freer almost instantly. Follow the road-tested directions—only 2 drops 3 times a day for 5 to 7 days. Use only as directed. Penetro Nose Drops

**Wife Takes Over**

Under Burmese law a wife may become head of the household if the husband drinks too freely.

DON'T LET CONSTIPATION SLOW YOU UP

● When bowels are sluggish and you feel irritable, headachy, do as millions do—chew FEEN-A-MINT, the modern chewing gum laxative. Simply chew FEEN-A-MINT before you go to bed, taking only in accordance with package directions—sip without being disturbed. Next morning gentle, thorough relief, helping you feel swell again. Try FEEN-A-MINT. Tastes good, is handy and economical. A generous family supply costs only

FEEN-A-MINT 10¢

**Amphibious Lingo**

Buffaloes are amphibious tanks; Alligators are amphibious troop-carrying tractors.

SKIN IRRITATIONS OF EXTERNAL CAUSE

Acne pimples, eczema, factory dermatitis, ringworm, tetter, salt rheum, bumps, (blackheads), and ugly broken-out skin. Mislove relieves itching, burning and soreness of these miseries with simple home treatment. Goes to work at once. Aids healing, works the scientific way. Use Black and White Ointment only as directed. He, 25c, 60c sizes. 25 years' success. Money-back guarantee. Vital in cleansing is good soap. Enjoy famous Black and White Skin Soap daily.

# ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz

*The Questions*

1. What is the average temperature (in the temperate zone) at 35,000 feet up?
2. Would a Russian be likely to eat, ride or wear a droshky?
3. The external face of a building is called what?
4. The famous cathedral of St. Mark is in what city?
5. Can you name three Biblical characters who committed suicide?
6. Which is the highest navigable lake in the world?
7. Where is located the center of population in the United States?
8. The small flag or streamer that flies from the masthead of a ship is called what?
9. What is the Mohammedan equivalent of a Christian church or a Jewish temple?
10. What did the early New Englanders tear in their windows in place of glass?

*The Answers*

1. Seventy degrees below zero.
2. Ride. A droshky is a four-wheeled carriage.
3. The facade.
4. Venice.
5. Judas, Samson and Saul.
6. Lake Titicaca (between Bolivia and Peru).
7. A point about two miles southeast of Carlisle, Ind.
8. A lambrequin.
9. A mosque.
10. Oiled paper.

YOU WOMEN WHO SUFFER FROM HOT FLASHES

If you suffer from hot flashes, weak, nervous, cranky feelings, are a bit blue at times—due to the functional "middle-age" period peculiar to women—try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to relieve such symptoms. Taken regularly—Pinkham's Compound helps build up resistance against such distress. It helps nature! Also a fine stomachic tonic. Follow label directions.

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND




DUE TO MUSCULAR PAINS!

HOW LOW, discouraged, they can make you feel—those nagging muscle aches. In Soretone Liniment you get the benefit of methyl salicylate, a most effective pain-relieving agent. And Soretone's *cold heat* action brings you fast, soothing relief. Soretone Liniment acts to:—

1. *Dilate surface capillary blood vessels.*
2. *Check muscular cramps.*
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For fastest action, *let dry, rub in again.* There's only one Soretone—insist on it for Soretone results. 50¢. A big bottle, only $1.

SORETONE soothes fast with COLD HEAT* ACTION

in cases of MUSCULAR LUMBAGO OR BACKACHE due to fatigue or exposure; MUSCULAR PAINS due to colds; SORE MUSCLES due to overwork; MINOR SPRAINS



MONEY BACK IF SORETONE DOESN'T SATISFY

"and McKesson makes it"

*Through applied cold, relaxing tendency to increase in Soretone act like heat to increase the superficial supply of blood to the area and relieve a painful state of tension.

## Let Me Ship Fruit For You

*GRAPEFRUIT $1.50 Bu*

SELECT FANCY FRUIT $2.25 BU

Delivered to Avon Park Express Office

JUICE ORANGES 25c PECK GRAPEFRUIT 30c Dz.

*A. W. FORBES*

One Block So. School House,

**Sue's VIEWS**

TO SUFFER IN SILENCE TAKES ALL THE PLEASURE OUT OF IT.



Don't suffer weekly with a cleaning job. Enjoy the pleasure of hanging them on OUR line.

*HALL'S Dry Cleaning*

Phone 52

*RE-ELECT*



W. B. (Babe) DOUGLASS

AS RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

Continue to profit from the services of a public servant of proven ability, experience, integrity and a desire to be of service to the public and His fellow citizens. His decisions have been based upon evidence and he will continue to follow that policy.

(Political advertisement paid for by friends of Mr. Douglas).

VOTE FOR

*E. P. MARTIN*

OF PLANT CITY, FLA

CANDIDATE FOR

*Attorney General*

SUBJECT TO THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY MAY 1944

Your Vote and Active Support Appreciated

Practiced Law for 28 years. Served three sessions in the State Legislature, is a real friend to all man kind. Will make you a good Attorney General —

VOE FOR HIM AND ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO VOTE FOR HIM


## *Easter Sunrise Services at Baptist Church*

Sunrise services will be held on the lawn of the First Baptist Church, Sunday morning, April 9. Pvt. Paul Zylstra will be in charge of the music, and will play a violin solo. Rev. E. O. Burton, pastor, will deliver a fifteen minute message. The subject of his sermon on Easter morning at the 11:00 o'clock service will be "The World's Blackest Assumption."

**OBTAIN SOCIAL SECURITY CARD BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME**

Boys and girls under 20 who leave home to obtain jobs in war plants should get a social security card to take with them, said Mr. Verri, manager of the Social Security Board office in West Palm Beach, Florida. War plants require every worker to have a social security card before he is put on the pay roll."

Every employer must have the name and social security number of every worker, whether he works an hour, a day, a week, or a month. Application blanks for securing cards may be obtained at any post office if there is not a Social Security Board field office in the town where the worker lives.

**THE MACHINE WORKS**

Tax collections on real estate were the highest in history, according to State Comptroller James M. Lee. Out of an approximate state-wide levy of $20,000,000 there was a total of only $216,992 in delinquencies. That is as it should be and might well have been the continuing history of Florida tax collections had there been a fixed determination by state and local officials to make 100 per cent evaluations and compel payments. Year after year, especially in the weakling period of the Futch and Murphy acts, we were told, that the collection machinery had broken down. It took Governor Holland to demonstrate that there was nothing the matter with the machinery. It simply was not used. — Miami Herald.

**TWO REASONS FOR IT**

Florida's 1942 real estate tax collections were the highest on record, Comptroller Lee reports.

No doubt there were many causes of this remarkable showing in ad valorem tax payments. But we venture to guess what two of the causes were. Most persons gladly pay their taxes when they have the money with which to pay them. We think this had much to do with the way taxes were paid for the fiscal year 1942.

Also most persons find taxes less difficult to pay when they know that there is a sincere effort to make assessments more equitable. The attempt made, through the 100 per cent valuation plan, to equalize assessments contributed, we have no doubt, to the record payment of taxes last year. — Ocala Star.

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to extend our sincere appreciation to our many friends for their kindness, and messages of sympathy at the time of our bereavement, at the death of our father.

Mr. and Mrs. Audie Whidden
Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Savage.


## CLASSIFIED ADS

SMALL COST BIG RESULTS

DRESSMAKING — For women and children. Mrs. L. J. McConnell, end of West Bell Street. M17, 24, 31, A7.

FOR SALE — Choice lot or lots on Tulane Circle. Planted in shrubbery and fruit trees. Splendid site for home. Mrs. M. S. Swearingen. Mar. 24-3t.

FOR SALE — Metal hood to be used over cooking range, 83 by 36 inches, price $30. Mrs. C. R. Bostick, Wauchula, Fla.

GIRL WANTS POSITION — General office work; filing; no typing or shorthand; cashier or store clerking. P. O. Box 747, Avon Park.

FOR SALE — Iron bed, sturdy steel springs; Beauty-rest mattress. Mrs. May Walden, 420 W. Bell St.

FOR SALE — Windmill and tank, 1209 West Main St.

EASTER BUNNIES — For Sale. Only 13 left. Priced $2.50 and $3.50. Ages six and nine weeks. P. A. McFarland, phone 791 or Box 184. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — 75 black Minorca pullets, just before laying. Will sell all or part. W. O. Skipper, Box 703.

FOR SALE — One five burner kerosene oil stove. Good condition. H. W. Reddick. Telephone 61W. 1tpd.


## *Florida Gardenia Queen Crowned At Cypress Gardens*



Winter Haven, Fla.—Lovely Laurel Norden was crowned Queen of the Eighth Annual Gardenia Festival in a colorful ceremony at Cypress Gardens on a throne decorated with thousands of the fragrant white blossoms.

## *Flier Fined For Avon Park Stunt, Makes Good In War*

A young B-26 pilot who got his finishing touches at APAAF, and is now fighting in Sardinia, was the subject of a feature AP story by Kenneth L. Dixon appearing in the daily papers this week. The story is of local interest because of the buzzing incident related. Dixon writes:

Every time you turn around your'e confronted anew with the realization that its the kids who fight this war.

This B-26 Marauder outfit in Sardinia is no exception. Sitting around the supper table after the days missions are over, the pilots, co-pilots and bombardiers look like a bunch of college kids — so young they take a terrific pride in the daily progress of their faint, wispy mustaches.

Some even look more like high school kids. First Lt. Roscoe Nemer of Evansville, Ind., is a good example. He's a first pilot, veteran of more than 40 combat missions, and has had more close calls than you can shake a Mae West at.

He slipped away from Indiana before we joined in the war and joined the Royal Canadian Air Force with faked birth credentials when barely 17.

When the U. S. entered the war, Junior transferred and finished his training with Uncle Sam, earning a reputation as an excellent if somewhat reckless pilot. Then he came overseas, but only after he had been fined 75 dollars and lost a chance for immediate promotion by saying goodbye to Avon Park, Fla., with one of the neatest buzzjobs the citizens had ever seen.

"He went down main street so low that people in upper stories of the buildings on each side were higher than he was," one fellow pilot said. In a Spitfire that would be some buzzin', cousin. In a Marauder it's murder.

Overseas, Junior has been through the works.

If you think 19 is too young to be trusted iwth more than a quarter of a million dollars worth of plane, hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of bombs and an incalculable worth of trained flying personnel, better not say it while Junior's around or you'll have a fight on your hand. They swear by him. He'll gets 'em back (knock wood) doesn't he?

**MRS. HOLCOMB'S FATHER DIES**

Mrs. Mary Holcomb received word early Friday morning that her father, H. W. Barnes, 77, of Kirkwood, Illinois, had passed away, Thursday night following a long illness. Mrs. Holcomb had planned on leaving Friday for Kirkwood, upon word from relatives that her father's condition was growing worse.

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

C. H. WALKER, Plaintiff,
vs.
ABBIE R. DODGE, ET AL. Defendants.

**NOTICE TO APPEAR**

Notice is hereby given unto Abbie R. Dodge and ——— Dodge, her husband, Thomas McBride and ——— McBride, his wife, Arthur D. Dunn and ——— Dunn, his wife, Hugh T. Lawrence and ——— Lawrence, his wife, Mary J. Faulkner, individually, and ——— Faulkner, her husband, and Mary J. Faulkner as Administratrix of the estate of Harry Malcolm Devoe, deceased, Mary C. Brady, individually, and Mary C. Brady, her husband, and Mary C. Brady as Executrix under the last will and testament of Joseph A. Brady, deceased, and to all persons, known or unknown, having an interest in the following described property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 8, less the north five feet thereof, the north fifteen feet of Lot 9, and all of Lots 13 and 16, Block 50, 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 C. H. Walker 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 other parties in interest, are hereby required to file with the Clerk of said Court your written appearance, personally or by attorney, in said suit on the first Monday in May, A. D., 1944, being the first day of said month and a Rule Day, and thereafter to file with said Clerk your written defenses, if any you have, to the bill of complaint in the cause described by law, or decree will be entered against you and each and all 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 31st day of March 1944.

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

March 31., Apr. 7, 14, 21

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Y. G. Durrence 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. 289
Year of Issuance 1940
Description of Property 415.8 Ft N & S x 140 ft E & W in Northern part of Blk 16 — A Replat of that Part of Sebring Summit Per Plat Book 3, Page 43, in Section 28, Township 34 South Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

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 May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.

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

M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that J. F. and A. F. Spooner, the holders of the following certificates have 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. 685
Year of Issuance 1941
Description of Property: Lot 1, Blk. 77, Eighth Addn. Sebring, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Henry Gaker.

Certificate No. 468
Year of Issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lots 14, 15 & W½ of Lot 16, Blk 517, Per Plat Book 3, Page 21, SD of Irregular Tracts, Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.

Certificate No. 467
Year of Issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lots 5 & 6, Blk 517, Per Plat Book 3, Page 21, SD of Irregular Tracts, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 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 door on the first Monday in month of May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.

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

M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

**MRS. DESHONG IN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Mrs. J. C. DeShong has accepted a position as official deputy clerk in the office of H. T. Piety, clerk of the circuit court. Her husband, Colon DeShong, who formerly held the position, is now in the navy and is stationed at Camp Peary, W. Va.

**WILL ATTEND GRAND CHAPTER**

Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. Brisco Willis, Mrs. Agnes Cox, Mrs. W. J. Prevatt, and Miss Jennie Gribble, members of Leigh Chapter, Order of the Eastern, will be in Tampa next week to attend Grand Chapter convening there.

## *Khaki Uniforms Take Over April 1*

**Tomorrow, April 1, GI's at APAAF take off those olive drab clothes and don the khaki uniform for all wear.**

**According to Base Memo, khaki is the uniform, during duty and off duty hours from April 1 to, and including, October 30.**

Small boy to Grandpa working on a piece of wood.
'Grandpa, what is that in your hand?"
Grandpa "That is a plane."
Small boy —after some thought — "Grandpa, can it fly?

Standard joke reversed —
Motorist — "Does Mr. Brown live about here?"
Farmer — "Not in these houses. Is he a defense worker?"
Motorist — "Oh yes, he builds fences and roads."

One of the girls who had always lived in the city, was being shown about a farm up state.
"Tell me" she asked the farmer, as she gazed intently at a month-old calf, "does it pay to keep so small a cow?"

**IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. IN PROBATE NOTICE OF CREDITORS Laws of 1933**

Re Estate of:
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON, 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 and required to present any claim or demand of any nature whatsoever, against the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington, 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 March 31, 1944.

BEULAH E. SAPPINGTON
As Executrix of said Estate.
S. COLQUITT PARDEE,
Attorney
Betts Bldg.,
Avon Park, Fla.
M. 31, Apr. 7, 14, 21.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

House Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Erwin E. Bowers, 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. 638
Year of Issuance 1939
Description of Property Lot 6, Block 2, Hillcrest Addition Per Plat Book 3, Page 36, Section 21, Township 34 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed: Steve Hancock.

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 May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.

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

M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

**RESOLUTION**

Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, that Notice is hereby given that an election is hereby called to be held at the same time and with the same officials in charge of the General Primary Election to be held in Highlands County, Florida, on the 2nd day of May 1944, for the purpose of submitting to the duly registered voters of Highlands County, Florida, whether or not Chapter 22318 Special Acts of the Legislature of 1943 relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Board of Trustees at $100.00 per month for the Secretary and $50.00 per month for the other members, of Highlands County, Florida.

Chapter 21939 General Laws of Florida, 1943, relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County, Florida at $800 per year payable monthly.

The question of approval or disapproval of each of said acts will be presented on the official ballot for said Primary election. If a majority vote cast be in favor of the adoption and vote against the adoption the Act shall take effect.

That this notice and resolution shall be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said Primary election in some newspaper published in the County as may be selected by the person acting as Clerk to this Board.

Board of County Commissioners,
By L. C. CREWS
Its Chairman
Attested by:
H. T. PIETY
Ex Officio Clerk
By R. E. BOOTH
Deputy Clerk and as Clerk for said Board.
M. 24, 31, Ap. 7, 14.

# Political Announcements

**RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.**

**FOR SHERIFF**

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

**FOR SHERIFF**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

**FOR SHERIFF**

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office, I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

**FOR SHERIFF**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DIMBERLINE

**FOR TAX COLLECTOR**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

**FOR TAX COLLECTOR**

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

**FOR TAX COLLECTOR**

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to

1944.

DAN YOUNG

**FOR STATE SENATOR**

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

**FOR STATE SENATOR**

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

**FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

**FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vo.e and support.

FRED WILD

**FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT**

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TEOT A. COX

**FOR COUNTY JUDGE**

I hereby announce for the office of Judge of the County Judge's Court, subject to May 2 Primary election. If elected, I will observe court hours; I will exercise diligence in the dispatch of business; I will be patient and courteous; I will judge the causes of all persons uprightly and impartially; I will uphold the law.

S. COLQUITT PARDEE

**FOR TAX ASSESSOR**

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I deeply appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announce- opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the count to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

**FOR CONSTABLE,**

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subjec to the May Democratic primaries I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park the last two terms as chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and suppor appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

**FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

**FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

WILEY SAULS

**FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION**

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued upport on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

**FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

**FOR STATE SENATOR**

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as township and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare represent as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING

**FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT**

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER

# THE SUN

SUNNY HIGHLANDS

Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

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## Our Men In The Service

James Troy Wells, petty officer, U. S. Navy, who is stationed at Camp Peary, Williamsburg, Va., will arrive Saturday to visit his mother, Mrs. Lucy Blum and his brother, Garvice Wells.

Lieut. Tillman Crosby, stationed at Dale Mabry Field, Tallahassee, is spending a few days leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Crosby.

Hildred "Buttercup" Rutledge and Marion Mathis, both S|1 class, Merchant Marines, have made their first trip across, and expect to be in England several months. naval base for the past three

Ensign Edward Sherman, who has been stationed at the Miami naval base for the past three months, where he completed operational training, flying dive bombers is spending a few days leave here at his home. He will leave April 20 for his new base at Vero Beach, for night fighter training, flying F6F, known in the navy as Grumman Hellcats. Ensign Sherman enlisted in the naval air corps, while attending the University of Florida, and received his wings and commission at the Pensacola airbase.

Cadet Vernon Lanier, who has completed his primary training for the naval air corps at Hutchinson, Kansas, has been transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas for his advanced training. He recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier.

Connie Tom Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Martin, who has enlisted in the WAVES, leaves Sunday night for Jacksonville, where she will take her physical examination. She will return home for further orders and assignment, and will probably be sent to Hunter College to begin her training.

Wendell Smith, 2|c seaman, U. S. Navy, who has been stationed at Alameda, Cal., has been transferred to Wilmington, Cal.

Sgt. Albin Ebl, with his Headquarters Battery outfit, who has been stationed at Camp Pickett, Va., is now in New Guinea. He was one of the original members of Headquarters Battery in Avon Park.

CWO Fred Garrett, with his Headquarters Battery outfit, has landed in New Guinea, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Garrett.

Mrs. Ike Hart is in receipt of a letter from her husband, Lieut. Ike Hart, pilot with the army air forces in India that he has been promoted to first lieutenant, effective March 7. Mrs. Hart was Miss Evelyn Clements prior to her marriage.

Lieut. Cecil Clements, stationed at Camp MAXCY, Texas, with his field artillery outfit, is spending a leave here with his mother, Mrs. Chas Clements and family.

## Four Airmen Are Killed In Crash Near Davenport

Four airmen from Avon Park Army Air Field were killed and six others injured, none seriously, when their heavy bomber crashed during a combat training flight approximately five miles west of Davenport, Sunday night, Col. Clint T. Johnson, commanding officer announced Tuesday.

Those killed were: 2nd. Lt. John S. Buckles, RFD 5, Elizabethton, Tenn.; 2nd Lt. William W. Jameson, 3319 Lawrence St., Madisonville, Ky.; 2nd Lt. Joseph Koch, 3128 Glenview St., Philadelphia, Pa., Flight Officer John J. Devine, 262 East Bacon, Pottsville, Pa.

Other members of crew who escaped with minor injuries are: Sgt. Frederic F. Kastner, RFD 3, Girard, Pa.; Sgt. Alfred L. Space, E. Harrison St., Tunkhannock, Pa.; Sgt. Vernon G. Tuller, Jr., 1017 W. Olmos Drive, San Antonio, Texas; Cpl. Clarence E. Pierce, Jr., Culpepper, Va.; Pfc. Robert C. Priebe, Marquette, Mich.; Pfc. Roland J. Bender, Sheboygan Wis.

## Higgins of Sebring Will Operate Pine Crest Lakes Club

V. M. Higgins, operator of the Sebring Hotel, has taken over the operation of Pine Crest Lakes Club for the summer season, A. Rea Ball announced today. E. G. Benton, Jr., of Sebring will manage the hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball will leave this week end for Delray Beach to rest up a few days and visit their daughter, Mrs. James Larrimore, Jr., who has a winter home there. They will return then to New England to open the Sheldon House at Pine Orchard, Conn., and the Equinox at Manchester, Vermont.

## City Has New Franchise For Consideration

### *Investigating Possibilities of Purchase*

A new 20-year franchise was presented to the city council Tuesday night by the Florida Power Corporation, in which the power company asked the city to renew its present contract for furnishing lights and power to the city. At the same time the Florida Utilities Corportion presented its franchise to furnish water to the city's Franchises for both companies expire in May.

In a move to investigate the entire utilities situation, before signing up new franchises, and as Chairman Parke Anderson explained, to "get the best deal for the city," investment banking houses were contacted and asked to present sealed bids for financing the purchase of the utilities. Bids were received from the Rittenoure Investment Company, Witchita, Kansas, and from B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Miami. Both made tenative 3proposals, and have oftered to finance the purchase, if and when an agreement with the utilities companies is reached.

No attempt was made to go into the details of the franchise, aside from the threshing out of some legal points by City Attorney Perry Murray.

The city has ample authority under its charter to purchase the utilities and issue therefore revenue certificates, without a vote of freeholders, because no mortgage is involved, and the obligations thus issued would be of limited liability, he said. The purchasers of the certificates would have no recourse except to revenues of the light and water systems. He quoted a recent decision of the supreme court involving the purchase of utilities by the City of Key West, which he said was a parallel case.

At the suggestion of E. C. Hodge, representative of Van Ingen & Co., it was deemed advisable to complete negotiations with the utilities companies before going further into financing. "It is impossible to make an intelligent proposal until all the facts are in, and we know just what kind of proposition we have," he explained.

**Meet On 14th**

So, the whole matter will be given an entire evening's discussion next Friday night, April 14, when R. C. Pourtless, a director of the Florida Power Corporation, in charge of rates and taxes will meet with the council, as will representatives of the water works system, and go into details of the proposal franchises.

**First Franchise Dated 1914**

The old franchise was originally given to L. O. Feagin May 12, 1914. It was granted for 30 years. There was no day current, and the lights were cut off at midnight. Sundown to midnight was the time of operation. The plant was not built at the time of granting the franchise, and the city required a bond of $250 from Feagin to insure performance. He was given nine months to build the plant. Electric rates were fixed at 15 cents per KW, straight, flat or any way you wanted it. The same rates applied to the city. The minimum charge was $2.00 per month.

**Slept Over Rights**

Reading the old franchise, it looks like the city overslept its rights, when it failed to purchase the light system in 1930, the 16th year as provided in the franchise. Of course, that's not fatal if the city can come to terms with the power company, under the old franchise, the company would have been forced to sell.

Says the old charter:

"Sec. IX. Be it further ordained that the said town of Avon Park shall have the right, power and privilege of buying said electric light and power plant together with the machinery, transformers and equipment of every nature and kind whatsoever, used in connection with said system at any time during the 16th year, provided that written notice of such intention be given at least six months prior to such action."

**No Increase in Rates**

The flew light and power franchise provides no increase in rates over the proposed 30-year period. The Florida Power Corporation further guarantees that "the rates shall in no event be greater than those which are in effect for the City of Lake Wales, in which municipality the grantor herein is furnishing light, power and heat to residents and consumers."

The ceiling rates in the new franchise provide that rates can never be higher than they are at this time. These rates are lower than in Bartow or Sebring, where municipal plants are operated. In Avon Park, the average domestic rate is 4c per KW. The average overall rate three and two-thirds cent per KW, according to company officials.



HOME FRONT SOLDIER — Above is pictured Mr. Alfred Engelmann of Avon Park, and Lt. Elizabeth King, army nurse at Base Hospital. Mr. Engelmann has made the practice since the opening of the Base to bring flowers each Sunday to hospital EM patients. Prior to the Park, and other flowers that are grown in his gardens make up the weekly bouquets. Along with other thoughtful ventures, Mr. and Mrs. Engelmann entertained a group of GI's at Christmas dinner in 1943.

(From HIGH SCORE)

## Funeral Services For G. A. Harper Here Thursday

Funeral services for George Arthur Harper, 54, resident of Avon Park for the past 20 years, who died suddenly at his home Monday night, following a heart attack, were held at 3:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. O. E. Burton, pastor of the church conducted the services. Mrs. T. J. Ward sang two hymns, both favorites of the family, "In the Cross" and "Abide With Me." Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., played a soft accompaniment. The entire chancel and altar rail was embanked with many beautiful floral tributes, as a silent tribute of esteem for the deceased.

Interment followed in Bougainvillae cemetery. Active casketbearers were J. H. Ford, Milford Dilley, S. S. Thayer, Durrh Martin, S. F. Longbottom, and Harold Guerndt. Honorary casketbearers were W. J. Heim, W. P. Myers, E. A. DeLaney, Chas. Guerndt, John H. Hood, and M. R. McDonald of Sebring.

The Boy Scouts, of which George Harper, Jr., is a member, attended the services in a body.

Mr. Harper was born July 9, 1899 in Nashville, North Carolina, the son of a Baptist minister. His mother, left a widow with four children, put them all through college. He graduated from the University of North Carolina with an engineering degree, and later was connected, during World War 1, with the Dupont company as resident engineer. Before coming here, he was in business for himself in Hartsville, N. C. He was married to Miss Helen Rhea April 11, 1925, the couple coming to Avon Park as a bride and groom to make their home. He has been actively engaged in civil engineering in this county, and laid out the municipal airport, among other important surveying jobs. He retained his membership in the Baptist Church in Wakefield, N. C.

Surviving relatives include his widow, Mrs. Helen Rhea Harper; a daughter, Miss Helen Harper; and son, George Harper Jr.; two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Lles, Wadesboro, N. C., and Mrs. E. H. Green, Zebolon, N. C.; and one brother Luther Harper, Rocky Mount, N. C.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church will meet Wednesday, April 12 at 2:30 o'clock at the parish house. Election of officers will be held, and Mrs. W. M. Betts will give a preview of the diocean convention.

## Teachers For Next Term Announced

### *Five Teachers Did Not Renew Their Contracts*

The county Board of Public Instruction has approved the recommendations of the local Board of Trustees of the Avon Park schools, and has appointed the following personnel for the 1944-45 school year:

A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal; J. C. Mathews Jr., assistant principal; junior and senior high, Edwin R. Carter, Miss Marie Anderson, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Wilma Peden, Mrs. Mary C. Shearer, Miss Elizabeth Ann Haskin, Miss Lenora Driggers, Miss Anne Felton, Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Gene Gorman, Will Bennett, C. D. Noland.

Elementary school: Mrs. Charlea Shepherd, Mrs. Mary C. Myers, Miss Margaret Woodall, Mrs. Georgia Dinnison, Miss Alice Lynn Adams, Miss Amelia Knight, Miss Vera Ray, Miss Alma Harrell, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs. Lena Suggs, and Mrs. Muriel Boardman.

Teachers this year, who did not wish to renew their contracts were Mrs. Leila Singletary, Miss Lucile Sheenan, Miss Barbara Betts, Mrs. Dorothy Davis, and Mrs. Iva Phillips Boxall.

Mrs. Leila Singletary has been granted a release from her contract for the remainder of the school term, because of ill health. Her resignation has been accepted by the county board, and the vacancy filled by the appointment of Mrs. Dorothy Hicks Thomason, a former teacher in the Avon Park school.

Other appointments will be made at an early date.

J. M. Ferguson was again appointed principal of the Sebring school, and John Phay, principal of the school at Lake Placid.

## Dr. R. H. Jordan Named President Avon Rotary Club

Dr. R. H. Jordan was elected president of the Rotary club at the annual election Wednesday. C. L. Armstrong was re-elected secretary-treasurer and C. R. Ginn retiring president was made vice president.

The board of directors consists of Dr. Jordan, S. F. Longbottom, C. R. Ginn, J. P. Garber, C. A. Sargent and W. C. Pidgeon.

The new officers will take office July 5.

## Polling Places And Election Officials Named

Polling places for the Democratic primary May 2, have been designated by the Board of County Commissioners as follows: Precinct 1 — Sun Court building; Precinct 1A — Green's Fuel Office; Precinct 1B — I. H. Ford Garage.

Election officials have been appointed as follows:

Precinct 1 — Clerk, W. T. Connell; Inspectors, Emmanuel Hedgebeth, T. J. Ward, Solveig Gerrard; Sheriff, E. D. Williams.

Precinct 1A — Clerk, Frances Shockley; Inspectors, Hoyt Tatum, Roy Masters, Mrs. G. A. Stebbins; Sheriff, T. A. Childers.

Precinct 1B — Clerk, Kenneth Harris; Inspectors, Chas. Barnett, C. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Ernest Elder; Sheriff, Alderman Williams.

## Library Honors The Late Mayor M. E. Covington

As a memorial to the late Mayor M. E. Covintgon, Mrs. Iva Phillips Boxall's room of the grammar school, has installed the "Covington Library," which contains almost one hundred volumes. The library also contains papers and magazines, and certain recommended comics. The class raised the money to buy the material for a bookcase, which was built by the shop department of the school, and in which the books are kept. The class said that they will gladly accept any donations from the public.



PICKIN' FOR 1962 — Sammy Sauls and Linda Diane Maher were chosen as the College Man of 1962 Most Likely to Succeed, and Glamour Girl of 1962 in the baby show at the USO Club in Avon Park last Sunday. These two prize winners were chosen from a field of 17 pretty, handsome, smiling and crying kiddies, gathered for the picking. Sammy is the son of Sgt. and Mrs. Dean Sauls, hailing from Kansas City, Mo. Linda is the blonde, blue-eyed daughter of Pvt. and Mrs. M. D. Maher. She claims Payson, Ill., as her home.

## Easter Story

Once upon a time . . . in the year of 1944 . . . there was unrest all over the world . . . even the little kiddies were upset . . . 'Twas rumored that Mr. Easter Bunny . . . could not deliver the eggs . . . Tragedy, tragedy everywhere . . . You see, Mr. Easter Bunny had received a letter . . . from the President of these United States . . . and it started out with GREETINGS . . . AND THAT WAS THAT . . . Anyway Mr. and Mrs. Easter Bunny were not too unhappy . . . for they knew that Uncle Sam . . . allowed $50.00 a month per child . . . now, let us figure $50.00 times 84 . . . Egads! They were rich . . . So Mr. Bunny went to his draft board . . . to tell them how happy he was . . . and to cook long tail short . . . while he was there . . . the building caught on fire . . . and Mr. Easter Bunny was deferred . . . And seeing that he is still a civilian . . . HAPPY EASTER, EVERYONE.

—A. B. W.

## Col. Lee Will Open Campaign at Venus Picnic

State Comptroller J. M. Lee of Avon Park will come back home to Highlands county Saturday to launch his 1944 campaign for renomination amongst his neighbors, County Democratic Committee Chairman Bert Bassnge announced here today.

Comptroller Lee Thursday accepted an invitation to be present at the Highlands County Democratic Committee's first rally at the old Venus picnic grounds in the south end of the county Saturday, April 9.

For years — even back in the days of the empire of Old DeSoto County (now cut five ways) — the Venus picnic rally has inaugurated the quadriennial political sessions in this section. All Highlands county candidates have been invited.

## Walter Faircloth Funeral Services Wednesday

Funeral services for Walter Calvin Faircloth, 24, who died last Friday afternoon at his home, following a heart attack, were held Wednesday afternoon at the Southside Baptist Church, with Rev. McInnis, officiating. The large number of floral offerings attested to the many friendships of the deceased.

Casketbearers, were active Waco Dunn, Lloyd Tomlinson, Solon Wilson, Julian Sanders, J. J. Barlow, and Wiley Sauls. Honorary casketbearers were George Phillips, F. E. John, J. M. Gore, Claude Elliott, J. C. Roach, and Thomas Wells. Interment was held in Bougainvillae cemetery.

Surviving relatives are his widow, Mrs. Lois Shirley Faircloth; a two year old son, Ronald; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Faircloth, Manatee; two brothers, Pfc. Carl Faircloth, Nebraska, and Elmer Faircloth, Manatee; and two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Norman, Tennessee, and Mrs. Lester Webb, of Manatee.



DR. ROBERT McGOWAN

## Dr. Robert McGowan To Conduct Services At Methodist Church

Dr. Robert MacGowan of Lakeland is to be the guest speaker at the local Methodist Church Sunday, April 16, announced the Pastor, the Rev. Hoyt Tatum, announced today.

Dr. MacGowan was born in Scotland and received degrees from the University of Glasgow and the University of London before coming to America.

In America he is widely known as a preacher, forum lecturer and the author of a number of books on the Christian religion. Of Dr. MacGowan it has been said: He has been especially used of God in meetings for the deepening of the spiritual life."

Dr. MacGowan has spoken in Avon Park on previous occasions and was heard with delight and profit. He will be speaking at the Methodist Church each evening at 8 o'clock from April 16 through April 21st. The public is invited to hear him.

## Methodist Church To Have Easter Sunrise Service

A Sunrise Easter service will be held in the First Methodist Church Sunday morning at 7:30 A. M. The congregation will join in the singing of Easter hymns and Mrs. Hoyt Tatum will give a meditation, "Mary Magdalene and the Empty Tomb."

The regular Morning Worship Service will be at the church at 10:55 A. M.

## Employees of Ware Furniture Co. Are Entertained

Earl H. Ware entertained employees of the Ware Furniture co. at an enjoyable dinner party at the Palm Restaurant on Thursday evening.

Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Head, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mitchell, Mrs. Ruby Bass, C. B. Geiger, Mr. and Mrs. Zed Scarborough of Frostproof, and Mr. and Mrs. Ware.

## New School Schedule Is Now in Effect

Effective this week, the schools of Avon Park, will open at 9:00 A. M.; the noon hour will be from 12:45 until 1:00, and dismissal in the afternoon at 3:45. The change in hours is made due to the longer days, and is effective county-wide.

## County Goes Nearly Double Over Quota

### *Red Cross Drive Receives Fine Support Here*

Highlands County nearly doubled its quota in the 1944 Red Cross War Fund Drive, announced figures on the month-long campaign revealed yesterday. More than $24,000 had been realized yesterday. The goal was $13,000.00.

Avon Park is comfortably over the top of its $6,000 quota, J. Paul Garber, chairman, announced. The civilian population contributed over $3,200 and Major C. W. Roberts, who is in charge of the campaign at the Army Air Base, said the military contribution would be more than $4,600 which is approximately double the amount collected at the Base last year.

The sum of $3,800 represents a substantial increase over last year's civilian total of $2,500, Mr. Garber said, and attributed much of that increase to the house to house canvass. "People seem to realize the greater need of the Red Cross this year," he said, "and many people who gave last year doubled or tripled their contribution. I believe the donations would have been even larger had not income taxes only been a result."

Approximately 30 women handled the house to house canvass, Dr. R. H. Jordan the business district. Ed DeLaney the crate Mill section, The Boy Scouts under Robert Maysack, Scoutmaster, the collections at Park Theater. All of these workers and others are to be thanked and congratulated on the fine job they accomplished.

Captain Swaffield had charge of collections at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy where over $250 has been donated.

Sebring civilian population contributed more than $6,000. Hendricks Field said Lt. Marion Law, Jr., in charge of the campaign at the field, will turn in about $10,000.

Highlands County last year had a quota of $4,700. More than $13,000 was collected, to triple the goal.

The Rev. Perry James of Sebring was County chairman of the campaign this year. R. R. Brown served as co-chairman with Mr. Garber for Avon Park.

## APAAF Raises $4600 For Fund

Avon Park Army Air Field and civilian personnel, contributed heavily to the 1944 American Red Cross War Fund Drive, making the drive a smashing success and surpassing the goal set for the Base during the first few days of the campaign. Even though the drive closed Wednesday, April 5, last minute contributions are still being turned in and a final tally of the drive was not obtainable when High Score went to press last night. Latest figures however, indicated $4,601.16 had been contributed by both military and civilian personnel with two units still unreported. It is expected however, the final tally is made, APAAF will be an over $5,000 contributor to the national fund. Twelve hundred, twenty-four American Red Cross memberships have been purchased. Goal for this Base was set at $3,000 and the drive which officially opened on March 30 and closing April 5.

## Col. Dan Ellis Named Commander American Legion

Col. Dan M. Ellis, United States Army, retired, was elected commander of Highlands Post 69, The American Legion at its annual election of officers Wednesday night. Col. Ellis retired from the Army in October 1942, and came to Avon Park to make his home. He purchased the Daisy TenEyck grove and home east of town, which he has improved. He has taken an active interest in legion and civic affairs. He succeeds W. T. Connell as Commander.

All other officers were re-elected as follows: Roland Lee, first vice commander; L. P. Childers, second vice commander; John Hood, finance officer; D. G. Perry, historian; C. H. Lewiston, sgt. at arms; H. R. Currie, chaplain; W. M. Hetherington, adjutant; A. McKee Elwell, service officer.

Installation will be held in May.

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**WHAT'S SO WRONG?**

Liberty Leaguers are organizing to raise the howl against Democracy even higher than high heaven and their song of hate sings of "downtrodden" business which "can't" make Corporations pay off because war and war rationing seems to place sufficient limits on many things so that even the poorest man can live on his earnings. Yes we seem to recall that without rationing sugar went above 30 cents per pound in world war I, flour went to umpteen dollars per barrel and every necessity of life hit the sky — even gasoline was around 30c per gallon. (and we weren't using much of it for war then either.)

But, say the Roosevelt haters: "business can't exist." "Business can't get along, and so the working man will suffer when crumbs cease to drip down from the tables of the rich."

Well the editor of The Sun isn't big business by a long shot, but he dabbles some in the stock market where the rich do lots of their playing and where business "pays off" or "fails to pay off" according to whether business is making profits or not.

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And what do we find? Well Kennecott Copper that cost my mother $30 pays her $3 per year dividends; Liquid Carbonic which cost her $19 paid $1.25 dividends last year. The writer bought Pullman Company for $31 per share and received $3.00 per share dividends and then sold the stock for $40 to make another $6 per share profit. Fairbanks Morse that cost $33 per share paid off $2.50 per share dividends and is now worth a profit of several dollars per share too. Patino mines mining tin for the Roosevelt's tin cans paid 20% — $1.00 dividends on $20 per share stock.

And what is more important — these dividends represented only about half what the companies admitted they earned. And were in addition to depreciation reserves and reserves for shifting back to peace machinery totaling millions of dollars each.

And of course none of the $100,000 annual salaries for officers and directors have been reduced either.

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Say let me give you an example of "tottering" business that comes to me in an annual report of Consolidated-Vultee, which manufactures the Liberator bombers and other planes for war and peace time pursuits. My bought some of this for a sister. It cost her $10 per share. It pays $2 per year dividends. That's only 20% per year. "Poor" big business.

BUT —

And this is worth thinking about. Consolidated-Vultee earned $20,875,541 "combined net income" so the report tells the poor stockholders. That's $14 for each of the shares that cost our sister $10 each.

Just one item in their "costs and expenses" account in 1943 reads "provision for postwar adjustment $6,800,000." This on top of what was set aside for 1942 brings the total reserve for postwar readjustment to $12,500,000, says the report to the stockholders.

Yes they paid heavy taxes, top notch salaries to top notch executives, high wages, special bonuses for 10,000 ideas from employes and sold their stuff so cheaply to the government that they are badly "bent" and "broken up" under the load of $20,-875,544 in net combined income on top of $6,500,000 reserves for peace all in one year!

That's what they tell the stockholders anyway and the report is signed by Board Chairman Tom Girdler one of the kings of the Liberty Leaguers and President Harry Woodhead and the stamp of accuracy is placed thereon by Arthur Young & Co, Los Angeles, an outstanding firm of certified public accountants.

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Now just one more point — that's big business. But mother owns some Aero Supply Company stock — a little business traded in on the New York Curb market, and some Callite Tungsten on the same exchange. They are "chicken feed" businesses doing less gross business than Consolidated-Vultee earns net profit in a year. They cost her $1 and $1.50 per share. One paid 20c dividends last year and the other 10c dividends per share. Gee but Roosevelt surely must be "cramping their style"'. Eh? —G. F.

## Personals

Mrs Earl W. Hartt and daughter Miss Jane Hartt spent Thursday and Friday in Tampa.

Grady Elder of Macon, Ga., is visiting his uncle, W. M. Elder and family.

Cpl and Mrs. Ambrose Fiore are spending their furlough with relatives in Philadelphia.

T Sgt. and Mrs. Chas Snyder left Monday for Millersburg, Pa., for a visit with relatives.

Howard Todd of The Bolles School, Jacksonville spent last week end here at his home.

Howard Todd, David Lanier, John Gibbens and Ricki Spatz, who are attending The Bolles School in Jacksonville are spending Easter at their homes.

Carl Jolly Jr., of Tampa, four and a half year old nephew of Mrs Earl H. Ware, is visiting his aunt and family, while he is recuperating from an operation.

Mrs. C. F. Mountian of Columbus, Miss., is the guest of her father, W. M. Elder and other relatives here. She plans on visiting in Avon Park for about three months.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McGibboney are spending the week end in Tallahassee, where they are visiting their daughter, Miss Willa McGibboney, freshman at Florida State College for Women.

Mrs. R. A. Gerrard left the first of the week for Bayonne, New Jersey, where she went to visit Mr. Gerrard, who is employed there with the Western Electric Company.

Mrs. C. O. Locke returned home Friday from Montgomery, Ala., where she was called by the serious illness of her father, Dr. A. L. Wynn, retired physician. She also visited in Gadsden, while in Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWalt Sumner and family and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bannister and family of Dade City are spending the week end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sumner and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Smith have returned from San Francisco, Cal., where they visited their daughter, Mrs. H. O. Lambert, and their son, Wendell Smith, 2 c seaman, U. S. Navy who is stationed nearby.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hauptmann have as their house guests, their daughter-in-law, Mrs. O. H. Hauptmann of Gainesville, and G. M. Thompson of San Antonio, Texas. Other guests expected to arrive today are Mrs Blanche Radcliffe of Daytona Beach, and M. J. Thompson of McGregor, Texas.

Loy Hall Brodie of Washington, D. C., has arrived to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brodie and his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Murray.

Mrs. C. A. Boxall Jr. is spending the week end in Savannah, Ga., as the guest of Mr and Mrs. John Bunting, formerly of Avon Park. She is being joined there by Pfc Boxall, who is stationed at Camp Stewart, near Savannah.

Mrs. J. H. Singletary left Friday for Bartow where she will make her home. Mr. Singletary, foreman with the ACL, formerly located in Avon Park has been transferred to Bartow, and left for his new location several weeks ago.

Earl H. Ware and sons, Mickie and Jimmie were in Gainesville Sunday to attend a family reunion given in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mr. Ware's grandfather, G. W. S. Ware, who was observing his ninetieth anniversary on that date.

Misses Gloria Hughs, Betty Touchton, Martha McNicholas, Mary Carratt, and Winnie Hood, all students at Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee, are spending the Easter week end here at their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dilley, who have spent the past several weeks in Orlando, where Mr. Dilley was confined to a hospital, returned home last Sunday. Their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley spent Sunday in Orlando, and they returned home with them. Mr. Dilley's many friends are gratified to know that he is convalescing nicely at his home.

Mrs. E. K. Phillips and Mrs. Laura P. Rawlings, who have spent the past several months here with Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, returned to their homes the latter part of last week. Mrs. Phillips went to her home in Cherrydale, Va., and Mrs. Rawlings home is in Fredericksburg, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Harris and sons, Charles Spence and James Robert, and Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Spence of Lakeland, were guests for the week end of Mr. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harris, at their home in Avon Park. Mr. Harris, who is employed by Libby, McNeil and Libby and who has been located in Texarkana, Ark., is being transferred to Tampa.

## *Mrs. Ware's Nephew Named President Of Key Club*

George W. Truitt, Jr., of Lakeland, nephew of Mrs. Earl H. Ware was elected president of the Florida district of Key clubs at the sixth annual convention in Gainesville on Saturday. Key Clubs are organizations of high school boys who are chosen for membership on the basis of character, scholarship, and achievement, and are sponsored in the schools by Kiwanis clubs. An editorial in the Lakeland Ledger speaks of the high honor that has been accorded young Truitt, in being named president of the organization. Lakeland has been selected as the convention city for the Florida district in 1945 George attended school in Avon Park several years ago, and is remembered by many friends he made in Avon Park at that time.

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**Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Building at 8:15 P. M.**
**All members invited to attend meetings.**
**J. Paul Garber, Secy.**

## *Senior Class to Present Play Next Friday Evening*

"Who Wouldn't Be Crazy," a three-act play by Katharine Kavanaugh, will be presented by the senior class in the high school auditorium, at 8:30 Friday evening April 14.

The scenes of the play, a delightful comedy, are laid at an asylum for mild mental cases. The story is centered around a young scamp, Jack Marshall (better known as Speedy because he speeds around in high-powered cars and planes), who, on being pursued by a traffic cop, dodges into the asylum. "Speedy" finds the asylum is filled with social butterflies, who are there presenting a play for the inmates. He doesn't mind being crazy, when he finds that the girl of his dreams, Lois Merideth, is there in charge of the play, in fact, he rather likes it! Excitment-action-a kidnap-pin-an airplane chase-and love, all combine to present many hilarious scenes.

The well-selected cast has been working diligently for the past three weeks on the production, and everything points to a splendid evening of entertainment for those attending.

The cast consists of: Jack Marshall (Bobby Keller)—a brisk, resourceful young man, with a determination to get the girl he loves.

Lois Meridith (Madge Pilcher)—who is clever and "hard to get," but is susceptible to "Speedy's technique.

Evelyn Winslow (Annabelle Kimbrough)—a rich young girl in the asylum for a rest cure.

Edward Gordon (Billy Archer)—the artist type, in love with Evelyn.

Reggy Mortimer (Earl Varnes)—who is the big heart interest of three charming girls.

Marjorie (Margaret Dilley), Janet (Ruby Pate), Beatrice (Garland Turnbull)—who turn the asylum into a peach orchard.

Miss Lavelle (Dorothy Lawhon)—the capable hear nurse at the asylum.

Mr. Marshall (Thomas Thompson)—Jack's father, always in a state of confusion concerning his son's whereabouts.

Mr. Higgins (Walter Martin)—the conscientious superintendent of the asylum.

Pluribus (Jimmie Hetherington)—A young colored man, in charge of baggage at the institution, with a dry sense of humor.

Pendie (Katherine Thompson)—Lois' maid, who begins to like the asylum after she meets Pluribus.

Inmate No. 1 (Ned Hill)—assumes insanity, but underneath there are indications of an alert intelligence.

McCafferty (Thevenow DeLaney)—a fresh young policeman, who "always gits."

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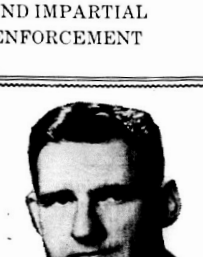
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# Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

## Mrs. Park Honoree At Birthday Party On Thursday

The Covenant Circle of the Union Congregational Church arranged a surprise for Mrs. L. H. Park on Thursday afternoon, the affair being given in honor of her 75th birthday anniversary.

Fifteen ladies from the church and several neighbors marched to her home singing a birthday greeting to the tune of Auld Lang Syne, and greeted her at the door with a beautiful bouquet of variated flowers. Mrs. Park was completely surprised, and was made very happy by the thoughtfulness of her friends.

Mrs. Eva Nesbitt had prepared a contest of various questions to be answered, that provided ideal entertainment for the group. Mrs. Clara Davidson answered the largest number of questions correctly. Dainty refreshments of cookies and tea were served late in the afternoon.

## Girl Scout Troop Has Picnic Last Saturday

The Girl Scout troop enjoyed a delightful picnic last Saturday at a nearby lake. Dinner was prepared in true Scout fashion at noon. About 12 Scouts participated in the day's pleasures. They were accompanied by Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, troop leader; Mrs. H. H. Nardine, assistant leader; Mrs. C. Parke Anderson, a member of the Scout committee, and Miss Madge Pilcher.

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## Mrs. Alton Elder Honoree at Party Friday Evening

Friends of Mrs. Alton Elder planned a delightful affair in her home on Friday evening, when they entertained at a stork shower in her honor. The guests gathered at the home of Mrs. J. B. Gaster, and went in a group to the home of Mrs. Elder.

An informal evening was enjoyed, and a shower of dainty and useful gifts was presented to the honoree, in a pink and blue decorated basket. Delicious refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

Those sharing the party with Mrs. Elder were Mrs Marion Grice, Mrs. Ozie Sapp, Mrs. Milburn Hart Mrs. J. B. Gaster, Jr., Mrs. W. D. Dandred, Mrs. Tressie Thomas Mrs. Joe Elder, Mrs. Ernest Elder, Mrs. Rachael Elder, Mrs. Archie Johnson, Mrs. Mary E. Johnson, Mrs. Wilbur Giddens, Mrs. Spencer Pickett, Mrs. S. C. Rutledge, Mrs Nick Fowler, Mrs. Glennie Skipper, Mrs. Herman Gaster, and Mrs H. Bovard.

## Mrs. Bass Hostess At Bridge Luncheon On Thursday

Mrs. L. E. Bass was a gracious hostess on Thursday, when she entertained members of her club at a bridge luncheon at one o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. Parke Anderson. Bouquets of azaleas and hibiscus lent a colorful suggestion of springtime and the Easter season.

Following the dainty luncheon, served on small tables several progressions of bridge were enjoyed during the afternoon. High club prize was won by Mrs. Sue Saylor; low score award was given to Mrs. S. V. Hunnings, and Mrs. G. P. Thayer received the guest high score prize. Each of the prize winners were the recipients of two baskets of luscious blackberries.

Club members and guests sharing the delightful occasion with their hostess included Mrs. E. F. Armstrong, Mrs. Sue Saylor, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt, Mrs. S. V. Hunnings, Mrs. W. H. Kempton, Mrs. C. F. Kenney, Mrs. Alexander Gilmour, Mrs. G. P. Thayer, and Mrs. A. L. Bicker.

## Mr. and Mrs. Murray Observe Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Murray, who observed their fifty-second wedding anniversary on Friday, were honored with a supper at their home given by their daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Brodie. The centerpiece for the table was a beautifully decorated cake, surmounted with a miniature bride and groom, surrounded by tiny bridesmaids. On account of the illness of Mrs. Murray's sister, only the immediate family, and one or two close friends were present.

**MRS. WORDEN, SECRETARY OF C. OF C.**

Mrs. H. C. Worden has accepted a position as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb, who formerly held the position, is now in the office of the Florida Power Corporation.

## Methodist Class Has Supper Meeting Monday

The Woman's Friendship Bible class of the First Methodist Sunday School held their regular monthly supper meeting at the Hut on Monday evening at 6:30. The long supper table was overlaid with a snowy white cloth with small bouquets of nasturtiums placed at intervals. A center arrangement of larkspur combined with other colorful spring blossoms, lent emphasis to the dainty table appointments. Mrs. C. H. Pardee, who was observing her birthday arriversary on that date, was agreeably surprised, when a large cake, aglow with small burning candles, was placed before her plate, as the group sang "Happy Birthday."

Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, class president, presided at the business meeting, when the class voted to purchase a War Bond. A communication was read regarding the two Chinese orphans that the class is supporting. Mrs. Arthur Johnson led the devotional. Hostesses for the supper arrangements were Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, and Mrs. H. C. Bigbie.

Those present included Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. Estelle Sonnenahlin, Mrs. B. F. Willson, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, Mrs. I. L. Hall, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Rev. and Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, Mrs. M. B. Clark, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Miss Furlow Anderson, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, and Mrs. W. M. Hetherington.

The class will hold their May meeting at the home of Mrs. S. C. Pardee, when a chicken supper will be held.

## Twins Are Honored At Surprise Birthday Dinner

Mrs. H. C. Rutledge and her twin brother, Ernest Elder, who celebrated their birthday anniversaries on Thursday, were the honor guests at a family dinner at the Elder home, the surprise being planned by Mrs. Elder, and Mrs. Rutledge's daughter, Mrs. Spencer Pickett. The centerpiece for the prettily arranged dining table was the large birthday cake, topped with forty-three candles, burning brightly. Zinnias, petunias and other early spring flowers decorated the rooms.

Those seated at the table included Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge, Mr. and Mrs. Elder, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore of Cordele, Ga., Grady Elder, Columbus, Miss., Mrs. C. F. Mountian, Mrs. George Moore and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Elder and family, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Pickett and daughters, Glenda and Carolyn, Mrs. J. B. Gaster Jr., and W. M. Elder.

## PTA Meeting is Postponed Until Thursday, Apr. 20

The regular meeting of the PTA, which was to have been held April 13, has been postponed until Thursday afternoon, April 20. The change in date is made necessary on account of the senior class play on Friday night, for which the stage will be arranged. The Home Economics department will present their annual fashion show at the meeting on the 20th, and everyone is invited to attend.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to extend our sincere appreciation to the many kind friends and neighbors for their expressions of sympathy, and messages and words of condolence at the time of our recent bereavement.

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## Miss Pearson Is Hostess Tuesday

Miss Millie Pearson entertained members of the Sans Souci club with a lovely party at the Customer's Room Tuesday evening. In keeping with the Easter season, the colors of yellow and purple predominated in all appointments of the party. Yellow tinted vases held arrangements of purple bougainvillae, placed at vantage points about the room.

High score prize, when scores were totaled, was given to Mrs. Alice Sherman, and Mrs. Freed Peden received second high. Both awards were Defense Stamps.

Following the games, delectable refreshments of fruit salad and cookies were served. At the refreshment hour, the tables were overlaid with crisscross strips of yellow and purple paper, to further accentuate the chosen motif.

Club members enjoying the party included Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Marie Anderson, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs Freed Peden, Mrs A. H. Wilhite, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Jr., Mrs. Milford Dilley, Mrs C. A. Boxall Jr., Miss Verna Helm, and Mrs. Rae Fryer.

## Large Group Going To Blanding For Physical Saturday

The following white men are to be sent to Camp Blanding, on April 8th, 1944 by the Highlands County Selective Service Board for a pre-induction physical examination:

The following men from Avon Park are: Obie Cloud Ralson, Melton Leotus Creel; George Alexander Whitener; William Rufus Batton; Claud William Elliott, Ralph Arthur Williams, Benjamin Franklin Morgan, Arch Bishop, Johns; Spurgeon Godwin Patterson; Willard Johnson, Walter Lamor Williams, Roy Jack Bennett, and George Berry Hill.

John Wilson Carver, Lake Placid; Howard Owsman Wray, Cocanut Grove; Wayne Drawdy, Jr., Sebring; Leavy Justus Brock, Bay Harbor; Lewis Issac Butler, Sebring; Vance Blevins, Mobile, Ala.; Frazier Watford, Sebring; Alonzo Fenley Johnson, Lake Placid; Billy B. McLain, Glencoe, Ala.; Patrick Nathan Pollock, Jacksonville Beach; Paul Austin Simpson, W. Palm Beach; James Todd Pyott, Miami, Fla.; John Thomas Mills, Haines City; James Hubert Varnes, Lakeland; Lewis Spencer Pickett, Sebring; Roy Alfred Waters, Sebring; Charles Garnett Radebaugh, Sebring; John Hood Bever, Sebring; Charles Mitchell Godwin, Sebring; Lee L. Rhymes, Okeechobee; Harry Ashley Walker, Tampa; John Clare Watson, Sebring; Raymond Eugene Purvis, Sebring; Dwight Moody DeVane, Sebring; Mack Wesley Kelley, Lake Alfred; George Roy Williams, Sebring; Leslie Hall Reeder, Tampa; Blakely Bufford Hardy, Lake Placid; Bob Curran Brunson, Detroit, Mich.; Morton Abraham Kaiser, Savannah, Ga.; James B. Fennell, Gibsonton; Howard Vincent Weems, Jr., Atlanta, Ga.; Robert Williams Jr., Lorida; Samuel Williams, Belle Glade; Ervin Lee Haager, Lake Placid.

Men transferred from other boards: M. Bothwell Helig, Wilford Walter Whitener, and Melvin Rushin, all of Avon Park; Elijah Gelon Cheshire, Sebring; Thomas Jesse Durrance, Jr., Brighton; Perry Eugene Duke, Lake Placid; Willie Edgar Goodrich, Sebring, and James John Navrovec, Sebring.

The following white men will be sent to Jacksonville on April 6th, to be inducted into the Navy: James Everett Crosby, Avon Park; Sam Phillip Robinson, Greenville, Ala.; Harry Laven Perry, Warwick, Ga., and Julian Walk McAdams, Miami.


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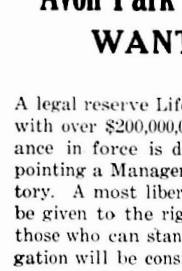
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### COVENANT CIRCLE TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Covenant Circle of the Union Congregational Church will hold its 20th anniversary meeting Wednesday, April 12 at 3:00 P. M. at the home of Mrs. R. E. Maysack, the president. A special program, in charge of Mrs. E. S. Hedgebeth will be given, and Mrs. Jas. Luxton will conduct the devotions.

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. E. LANIER

**S CONSTABLE,**
announce as a candidnstable of the First Disghlands County, subject y Democratic primaries, serving my fourth term ice force in Avon Park, o terms as chief, and s experience fits me for Your vote and support d.
BOB) MASSEY

**OR CONSTABLE**
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THOMAS WELLS

**FOR CONSTABLE**
**FIRST DISTRICT**
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WILEY SAULS

**OR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION**
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ROLAND X. DROIT

**CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**
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Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

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WILBUR C. KING

**JUSTICE OF PEACE**
**FIRST DISTRICT**
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ALTON ELDER

## *Our Men In The Service*

Cpl. James Cooper, mechanic in the army air corps, who has been in New Caledonia for the past year, has returned to the states, and is in a government hospital in California. He was wounded in combat duty, November 4, and has been in the hospital since then.

Cpl. J. O. Reynolds, original headquarters batteryman, and now with his observation battalion in Italy has been back in the hospital for another operation on his hand, according to word received this week by his wife, Mrs. Ruby Reynolds. Though he has been released from the hospital, he is not back with his outfit yet. Cpl. Reynolds has been overseas since August, first being stationed in north Africa. He took part in the battles of Cassino and on the beachhead in Italy. He was wounded in the hand in combat duty, and has been in the hospital for some time.

Charles O. Locke III, has completed his training at Bainbridge, Maryland in Gunner's Mate School. He was one of 20 young men, out of a class of 237, who finished with honors; and received a rating of Gunner's Mate 3c. He is now stationed at Little Creek, Virginia, where he is attached to the Amphibious Training Base, being one of a crew of 42 assigned to the new type L. S. M. (Landing Ship Mechanized.)

Earl Rich has completed his boot training for the navy at the naval base at Bainbridge, Md., and is now attending school at the same station, where he is taking petty officer training.

A-C George Gribble has completed his primary training at Corsicana, Texas, and is now ready for basic and advanced training in the army air corps.

Pfc. John V. Vilkaitis, radio operator and navigator on large transport planes to India, writes home to his mother that he is enjoying plenty of oranges, pineapples and bananas. "Just like Florida," he said, except that the weather is "hotter and wetter, and nights colder." His brother, Pvt. Paul Vilkaitis is in the Army Air Forces, and is taking his training at Miami Beach.

Chaplain A. J. Turner, who has been stationed in Alaska, has returned here and is visiting his wife and young son, Bobby at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lockett. Chaplain Turner has been located previously in the Aleutian Islands, and in Sitka, Alaska. He has 28 days leave, after which he will go to Fayetteville, N. C., for assignment to a chaplain's school. Before leaving the states, he was stationed at Camp Claiborne, La., and Mrs. Turner and Bobby were there with him.

The Sun is in receipt of a V-mail letter from Major Clifton A. McClelland, son of Mrs. J. H. McClelland of Avon Park, in which he says "I enjoy reading the home town news. I especially enjoy the column about those in service. I am somewhere in England." Major McClelland is with his supply squadron, strategic air depot, and doing a fine job.

Lt. Clayton Fields, pilot of a B-24, somewhere in Italy,. now is the proud possessor of four ribbons to wear on his shirt — the European Ribbon and six air medals have been added, including the oak leaf cluster. Among the missions in which he has taken part are the bombing of Cassino, the beachhead in south of Rome, also Toulon Harbor in France, and the raid on Regensburg, Germany. Lt. Fields is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fields.

Pvt. George Moore, stationed at Camp Walter, Texas, who was called home on account of the serious illness of his brother, Tom Moore, is himself now confined to the base hospital at APAAF.

Jiggs Jackson, first class petty officer in the Navy, is home on leave, after spending the past 14 months in the Aleutians.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Kerklin, formerly of Avon Park, have received word that one of their sons is wounded in England, and another is missing in action. Staff Sgt. William Thomas Kerklin, 20, in a letter to his parents, told them that he had been wounded and was now in England. He is a gunner on a B-17. He has been awarded the Purple Heart. Pvt. Lawrence V. Kerklin, 19, in the army about 10 months, has been reported missing in action since Jan. 30 in Italy.

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**LT. SADLER FLYING**

A letter from Lieut. Woodson Sadler, who is at the Liaison Flying School at Pittsburg, Kansas to the editor of the paper, will be read with cordial interest by his many Avon Park friends:

"Suppose you've often wondered what happened to your "Printer's Peril." Well, after finishing desert maneuvers, I was transferred

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# Committee Makes Report On City Buses

### *Operations Are Reviewed With Recommendations*

The Public Relations Committee, appointed recently by the city council, has submitted its report on the bus line operations, which is published herewith in full. The committee was appointed to make "an investigation of the complete bus line operations and to such other city functions as shall have a bearing upon the relationship between the City of Avon Park and the Avon Park Army Air Field."

Committee members are: S. E. Booth and John Hood, representing the council; Major C. W. Roberts and E. G. Todd, representing the army base; and S. F. Longbottom, the fifth member, named by the representatives of the other two.

Following is the report:

The committee held preliminary meetings with both the City Council and the Commanding Officer of the Avon Park Army Air Field for the purpose of reviewing the development of the bus line and such other matters as they might wish to bring before the committee.

Subsequent meetings of the committee heard the testimony of Manager Oscar Bridges, of the Bus Line, Mayor E. A. DeLaney and others. This testimony developed in some detail the method of operation, some of the operating difficulties and some conflicting statements. Some of the items which would appear to be of interest to the parties for whom this report is made are the following:

(1) "The Bus Line owns ten buses including the new trailer bus. Two of the twenty passenger buses are to be sold. The seating capacity is as follows:

Two buses, twenty passengers; one bus, thirty-six passengers; six buses, forty passengers; one bus, sixty passengers.

One of the twenty passenger buses is not in running condition, and one of the forty passenger buses is badly in need of repairs. Ten bus drivers are employed at $45.00 per week, for five runs per day with extra pay of $1.50 per run for additional runs. One mechanic is employed at $50.00 per week. One helper is employed at $42.50 per week. One manager is employed at $325.00 per month. The manager employs all personnel, no politics being involved in the hiring of help. The bus committee of the City is C. P. Anderson and L. H. Ford. Changes in salaries are approved by the City Council.

(2) The bus manager goes on duty at eleven A. M. and works until 1:30 A. M., and later on week nights, and works all night Sundays. He checks condition of all buses for next morning's run. The manager assigns either a bus driver or the mechanic to supervise operations from 4:30 A. M. until he comes on duty.

The manager's time is so fully occupied with unavoidable details that he cannot devote sufficient time to his broader managerial duties, indicating to the committee that an assistant should be provided to relieve him of much of the detail work.

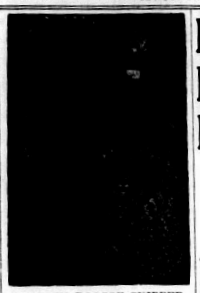
(3) Fares are collected upon entrance to buses. Relief driver's turn-in for fares are checked with regular driver's turn-in. Spot checks on street corners are made by bus manager and this figure is checked with actual amount turn-

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### *Unique Service to Be Held at First Baptist Church*

A Servicemen's Request Hymn Sing, believed to be the first of its kind held in the south, will be conducted at the First Baptist Church in Avon Park, Sunday evening, April 30 at 8:00 p. m. Favorite hymns of 58 service members of the church will be sung by the congregation, young people's chorus, adult choir, male quartette, ladies trio and in duets. Soloists will be Paul Zyistra, violinist; Bernice Stilwell, soprano; and Lt. Tracy, tenor. Pianists will be Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., and Mrs. E. C. Wever, supported by several members of the high school band.

Rev. O. E. Burton, pastor, will deliver an inspirational address midway of the program. The committee, in charge of S. F. Longbottom, is planning on a large crowd to attend this musical treat.



CAPTAIN ROSCOE SKIPPER

### *Capt. Roscoe Skipper Awarded the Air Medal*

Captain Roscoe N. Skipper, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Skipper of Avon Park and Lakeland, has been awarded the air medal, his parents have been advised in a letter from Lt. Gen George C. Kenney, commanding officer. He was cited for meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial flight in the Southwest Pacific area from June 12 to October 13, 1943. He took part in more than 100 hours of long-range bombing missions. Captain Skipper is a bombardier.



REV. J. ROY VAUGHN

### *Evangelist Vaughan to Conduct Services at Church of Christ*

Evangelist J. Roy Vaughn of Miami will conduct a series of Gospel meetings at the Church of Christ here in Avon Park, beginning April 16 continuing through April 28.

Come, hear the man who will give Chapter and verse for what he teaches, a man whose knowledge of the Bible is equalled by few. One of Florida's outstanding speakers.

You are cordially invited to attend all of these services each evening at 8:15.

### *Stores To Close Wednesdays*

**The majority of merchants in Avon Park have agreed to close their stores at 12:30 each Wednesday afternoon starting next week, April 19. They will continue this arrangement until September 1.**

# NHA Approves Building of 150 Housing Units

### *100 To Be Built By Federal Funds; 50 By Citrus Men*

Authority for the construction of 150 housing units for Avon Park was granted by the National Housing Authority this week, to relieve the severe housing shortage for essential workers.

Federal approval is the direct result of the work of the chamber of commerce, which sent a committee composed of C. E. Lanier, C. Parke Anderson and F. W. Spatz to Washington several weeks ago to intercede for the new housing facilities. Credit for the quick action is given by Lanier to Senator Pepper and Congressman Peterson both of whom were active in bringing to the attention of proper authorities in Washington the necessity for the new housing units here.

The war housing program calls for the building of 100 temporary, publicly financed dwelling units. These have been assigned to the Federal Public Housing Authority, which will let the contracts for construction to private contractors, according to advises received by Lanier from Glenn H. Beyer, assistant regional representative of National Housing Authority, Atlanta.

Also included in the new program are 50 additional units to be built by fruit processors for employees engaged in the packing and canning of fruits in the Avon Park locality.

Sites for the houses, type of construction and other details will be determined by a representative who is expected here in a few days, Lanier stated.

Of the 50 houses authorized by the citrus industry, Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Company asked for 20 units, Roscoe Skipper for 20 units and Avon Park Citrus Growers for 10 units. These will be privately financed.

### *Harder Hall Hotel Will Be Re-opened At New Low Rates*

Harder Hall, famed resort hotel on Lake Jackson, will be operated continuously during 1944 and will be run especially for military personnel at new low rates, according to E. J. Parks. Hendricks Field Officers' Club manager. Mr. Parks has leased and will operate the hotel on the new basis.

The permanent rate will be $60 per month for two persons, European plan. It will be open to Hendricks and APAAF military personnel and their families. The hotel will also be open to transients.

The hotel which caters to resort visitors, had officially closed its winter season last Saturday.


INSURE your future— Save WITH WAR BONDS




**OVER THE TOP — Col. Clint T. Johnson, Commander, Avon Park Army Air Field presenting Mr. L. A. McPherson, Base Red Cross Field Director with a check for $5,036.88, final amount contributed by military and civilian personnel at this Base during the 1944 American Red Cross War Fund Drive. Quota for the Base was set at $3,000. Last year APAAF contributed $2,300.**

# Story of Establishment of Flying Schools Now Told

How a little group of World War I pilots and a few non-military flyers gambled their bottom dollars answering General H. H. Arnold's appeal for emergency action in creating the Army's Primary flight setup can now be told.

Unsung and little known is the story how great Army leadership and civilian "know-how" combined to save six months or more in building a powerful American Air Force. Back in May, 1939, war clouds were gathering over Europe and General Arnold sensing their portent, called to Washington a group of men who had been operating private flying schools. Some of them had been old friends of his and one, Major C. C. Moseley, a great pursuit pilot, had been his aide in France in World War I. With him answering the call were former combat pilots including W. F. Long, Dallas; H. S. Darr, Chicago; Max Balfour, Tulsa; Oliver L. Parks, St. Louis, and Claude Ryan, San Diego. Two top non-military flyers Allan Hancock and E. J. Sias reported with the rest. Albert I. Lodwick afterwards purchased E. J. Sias' Lincoln Flying School, Lincoln, Nebraska, represented at this meeting and it is now the Lodwick School of Aeronautics, Lakeland. The majority of these men became the nucleus of the Aeronautical Training Society, whose members do all of the Primary flight training for the Army Air Forces and various other types of training of United Nations cadets.

Besides the Lodwick School of Aeronautics, Lakeland, the Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, Avon Park, other civilian operated Army primary training schools in Florida are, the Greenville Aviation School, Ocala, Riddle Aeronautical Institutes at Dorr and Carleton Fields, Arcadia.

"We've got to do a job and do it fast," Arnold told them. War appeared inevitable and he said the Army lacked time to prepare flight training facilities. He proposed that they train, feed and house cadets for the Army flying forces. The operators had to fin-

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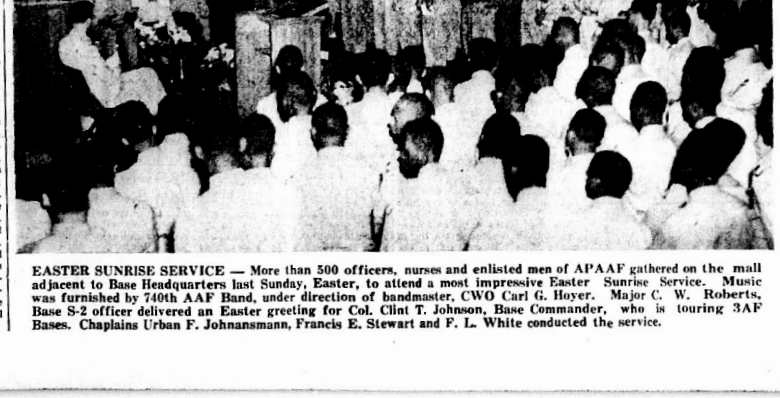
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Sebring and Frostproof fire departments responded to an emergency call and assisted the Avon Park department in bringing the flames under control.

### *Former Postmaster Indicted By U. S.*

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**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE — More than 500 officers, nurses and enlisted men of APAAF gathered on the mall adjacent to Base Headquarters last Sunday, Easter, to attend a most impressive Easter Sunrise Service. Music was furnished by 740th AAF Band, under direction of bandmaster, CWO Carl G. Hoyer. Major C. W. Roberts, Base S-2 officer delivered an Easter greeting for Col. Clint T. Johnson, Base Commander, who is touring 3AF Bases. Chaplains Urban F. Johnansmann, Francis E. Stewart and F. L. White conducted the service.**

# Citrus Men To Ask For Prison Labor

### *Need 300 More Laborers to Work Fruit Crop*

The government will be asked to establish a war prison camp in Highlands county to relieve the labor shortage in the citrus industry, according to plans approved by representatives of all packing houses in the county.

(For the past week German war prisoners have been picking fruit near Avon Park. They are being brought in daily from the prison camp at Winter Haven. Their work has been satisfactory, and no trouble has been experienced, according to grove operators who have hired them.)

The proposal was discussed Friday afternoon by representatives of all citrus packing houses in the county at a meeting at the Avon Park chamber of commerce building. Representatives at the meeting were: Roscoe Skipper packing house, Avon Park Citrus Growers Association; Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, Lake Byrd Citrus Packing Company and Maxwell & Prevatt, all of Avon Park; Gregg Maxcy, Inc, Sebring; Lake Placid Land Co, Lake Placid; and Sebring Packing Co., Sebring.

These shippers showed that 3,150,000 boxes of fruit would be handled through their houses next season, estimates being based on approximately the same amount which is going through the houses this season.

J. Paul Garber, secretary of Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, was named chairman of a committee to represent the group in making request to the government for the prison camp. He named Gregg Maxcy and Harold Worden other members of the committee.

In order to sound out opinion, a meeting of representatives of all civic organizations in Avon Park has been called by the chamber of commerce to meet Monday night at the chamber of commerce building. Similar meetings will be called in Sebring and Lake Placid.

Something must be done to relieve the labor shortage in the citrus industry, which is expected to get worse instead of better, Garber stated, and prison labor may be the answer.

**Not Affect Local Labor**

"The joint was brought out at the meeting of packing house men of the county that a war prison labor camp in Highlands county will not affect local labor in any way," Garber said in a statement to the Sun. "These packing houses will continue to employ all available local labor, but at present the eight companies are employing 775 men and 225 women in their citrus groves and packing operations, making total employees 1,007. At today's meeting they stated they had a combined requirement of 1,311 employees immediately, or 304 additional. These additional employees are not available in the community and it appears that the situation will get worse instead of better since additional men will be inducted into military service at the close of the present packing season. It appears now that these packing organizations will have to import labor into the county at the beginning of next season in excess of the 304 now needed.

"If a war prison labor camp is located at the site of our present County Prison Farm it will not affect the community life of any city in our county, as it is more or less isolated. This site has been suggested.

"It should be clearly understood that we do not know that the Government will act favorably on any request we may make for the establishment of a war prison labor camp, but the only way to find out is to make the request, backed up by the needs of the packing houses of our county. We know something must be done, and the sooner the better, to relieve our labor problems. If the citrus industry does not get relief, we may be faced next season with part of our crop of fruit going to waste for lack of labor to pick, haul and pack. A situation of this kind would affect the county as a whole," Garber stated.

**Prisoners Get 80c a Day**

According to information on the subject employees must agree to employ a minimum of 200 prisoners regularly for one year, in order to have a camp established

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Increased Activity in Pacific Sector Marked by U. S. Blows on Jap Bases And Heavy Fighting in Burma, India; 4-Fs Get Study in Manpower Crisis

(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.)
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**Italy**—Against a background of war's ruin at Cassino, an Allied medical unit moves to the front to attend the wounded.

## RATIONING:
### *Announce Changes*

More gas, freer use of fuel oil and food coupons and ration changes in vegetables, fruits, meats and oils were announced by OPA.

To maintain the distribution business, it was announced drivers holding "B" cards will be allowed an additional 100 miles a month, while expiration dates for fuel oil coupons will be eliminated before the fall season of heavy consumption gets underway.

Because many shoppers cashed in their red and blue food coupons for tokens at expiration dates, OPA took off all time limits on the stamps.

While all frozen fruits and vegetables were taken off rationing, beef flank meat, pork liver, lamb and mutton hearts, liver, sweetbreads and tongue, beef tongue, cooked and barbecued pork spareribs and pork tongue were cut 1 point. Shortening, salad and cooking oil were slashed 1 point. Points on canned carrots and tomato juice also were reduced.

## DRAFT:
### *Eye 4-Fs*

To fill up the industrial and agricultural ranks left vacant by the drafting of all men except key workers under 38, the government called for the induction of all 4-Fs not engaged in essential occupations and a congressional committee moved to shape special legislation for such a program.

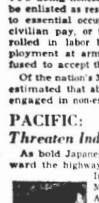
At the same time, it was revealed Selective Service was scrapping its unit system of deferring agricultural workers, only giving consideration to a man's regular employment on a farm and the problem of replacing him.

Under the government's proposal, 4-Fs doing nonessential work would be enlisted as reserves and directed to essential occupations at regular civilian pay, or they would be enrolled in labor battalions for employment at army pay if they refused to accept the assignments.

Of the nation's 3,500,000 4-F's it was estimated that about 1,000,000 were engaged in non-essential work.

## PACIFIC:
### *Threaten India*

As bold Japanese forces thrust toward the highway hub of Imphal in India, Adm. Louis Mountbatten rallied Allied forces to a stand to hold this key to land communications all along the 600-mile Burmese front.



**Admiral Mountbatten**

In the Southwest Pacific area, strong U. S. naval forces again challenged the Japanese fleet to come out and fight by attacking the enemy's sea base of Palau, 460 miles from the Philippines, but the Nips once more withdrew. On New Guinea, New Britain and Bougainville, Allied ground forces continued to press the Japs, as U. S. airmen impeded reinforcement of their battered troops by shooting up shipping and bases.

Seeking to capitalize on their surprise of the Allies in India when they burst from the Burmese jungle from three points to converge on Imphal, the Japs maintained heavy pressure in the face of stiffening British resistance. Beyond Imphal lay the Bengal-Assam railroad, supplying Lieut. Gen. Joseph Stilwell's U. S. and Chinese troops pushing the Japs down the Mogaung valley in far northern Burma.

## AGRICULTURE:
### *Food Subsidies*

To peg consumer costs, War Food Administrator Marvin Jones ordered the $3,000,000,000 Commodity Credit corporation to use its powers and funds for subsidizing food prices.

In addition, the CCC was ordered to purchase, sell, store and transport food and farm products involved in the WFA's price-support and lend-lease programs.

Strongly bucked by the farm bloc in congressional debate but upheld by administration forces, the food subsidy program will cost the CCC between $850,000,000 and $800,000,000, it was estimated.

### *Farm Prices*

Increases in returns on meat animals, feed grains, hay and oil bearing and fruit crops resulted in a one point advance in the general level of farm prices from mid-February to mid-March, the agriculture department reported.

Boosts in the above commodities more than offset declines in food grains, truck crops, and milk and egg prices, and brought the general income level to 198 of the 1909-'14 plane. A rise of one point brought prices paid by farmers to 178 of the 1909-'14 standard.

Prices received by farmers averaged 115 of parity, with only wheat, rye, flaxseed, cotton, hay, peanuts, cotton, lemon and oranges below the fair exchange value established by congress.

## EUROPE:
### *In Balkans*

While their lines held in northern Russia, German troops fell back to the Carpathian mountains in the south, where they were looked upon to make a stand with Hungarian and Rumanian forces recently incorporated into the Nazi armies.

As the Germans drew back in the east, Allied bombers headed over western Europe to drop their explosives over the expected invasion routes and hammer at Nazi production centers. In Italy, both sides traded punches at Anzio below Rome, while action tapered at Cassino, where Germans clung to their defensive posts.

In pushing the Germans back to the Carpathians, the Russians advanced to within 30 miles from the old Czecho-Slovak border, while farther to the southeast, they crossed the Prut river to lunge into Rumania.

### *Occupation Plans*

From London last week came reports indicating Allied plans for postwar Europe shaped by the U. S., Russia and Britain.

With the reich's collapse, the authoritative London Sunday Observer said plans called for British occupation of western and north central Germany, U. S. control of the southern and south-central parts, and Russia of the eastern section. Symbol of Germany, Berlin would be occupied by all three powers.

Before establishment of stable government, the Big Three would also occupy Austria, and any movement for that country's union with Germany would be discouraged, with closer economic ties with the Balkans suggested.

Looking toward eastern Europe, information leaking from sources consulted on perfecting details of the Teheran agreements indicate Moscow will annex the Baltic states and eastern Poland and Balkan territory considered traditionally Russian, and exercise influence over Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary.

## SURPLUS GOODS:
### *Consult Business*

To prevent a disruption of ordinary business channels, U. S. agencies entrusted with the disposal of surplus war goods for civilian use have been instructed to confer with the War Production board's 750 industry advisory committees on distribution of material through established outlets.

Although most members of the industry advisory committees are manufacturers, some wholesalers and retailers have been included in the groups, and it will be their task to help determine normal outlets for certain goods, the amount of material to be released, and whether distributors should bid for the merchandise, negotiate for its purchase or buy it at auction.

While the new procedure was announced, Rep. Wright Patman (Texas) pressed for enactment of a bill under which retailers would be given equal voice in the disposal of surplus war goods along with the bigger manufacturers and wholesalers.

## GERMANY:
### *Production Efficiency*

Striving to stretch their human and material resources to maximum, Germany's production czars have reached into industrial and domestic activity alike.

In industry, the Nazis have spared men and metal by reducing locomotive models from 119 to 13, and they have economized on shipping space by extensive dehydration of foods. More efficient methods reportedly increased steel, copper and aluminum output while decreasing man hours.

To keep working women from performing house tasks at home, the Nazis have organized groups to mend their stockings and attend to other domestic functions. Persons from 65 to 70 have been enlisted to assist service men at railway depots.

## Finds Long Way Back



**Taken to St. Petersburg, Fla., by his master and then given to a resident there, an Irish setter, Duke, engaged for his old home that he traveled 1,200 miles back to it at Keane, Ind., where an old friend, Rev. Robert Collins, found him bloody-footed and exhausted.**

**Informed of Duke's plight, his master wired Rev. Collins funds to care for the dog until he should return.**

## ARMY AND NAVY:
### *Furloughs*

Because of shipping difficulties and prepaid preparations for campaigns, the army will continue to grant furloughs on an individual basis rather than to whole units, Sen. Guy Gillette (Iowa) was advised by the war department.

With other midwestern senators, Gillette had queried the war department about the possibilities of furloughing the 34th division, which has been overseas for more than two years and is made up of men from Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa.

While the war department admitted many empty cargo ships were returning to the U. S., it added that there was a problem of shore handling once the vessels reached here.

### *New Construction*

Heralding an intensification of the war against the Japanese, the U. S. navy asked for 1½ billion dollars for the construction of shore facilities, principally on the West coast.

Plans call for the building of fleet and cargo piers, supply depots, aviation training bases, harbor improvements and repair depots.

Expansion of present hospital facilities from 60,000 to 80,000 beds and provision for malaria recuperation centers also were included in the plans.

## WITHOUT COUNTRY

A bill has been passed by the house which would make men who fled the United States to avoid the draft "men without a country." These expatriates would be forever barred from reentering the United States. The bill was sent to the senate for action.

The house immigration committee reported that many men have gone into Mexico to avoid induction. In the vicinity of El Paso, Texas, alone, more than 800 evaders are known to have crossed the border.

# Penicillin, Latest Triumph of Medical Research, Marks Another Long Step Toward Distant Goal

## 'Magic' Germ Killer Was Discovered by Fortunate Accident

By AL JEDLICKA
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It is back in 1929.

Prof. Alexander Fleming of London discovers that a mold growing in a container which he is using in research has killed certain germs. Although Professor Fleming does not enter into a thorough investigation of the phenomenon, he takes the time to make a note of it, suggesting that maybe the mold could destroy germs in human infections.

Other English scientists go to work on the mold and in 1940 find it effective in human treatment. Penicillin, the magic drug, has been discovered, and like so many great other discoveries, by chance.

Penicillin is not the greatest nor the final discovery in medicine, but it is the latest and among the most effective, momentarily climaxing medicine's long, steady march forward on the path of alleviating man's pain.

Sought by king and commoner alike, penicillin has proven its usefulness in the treatment of streptococcus pyogenes, a germ that causes pus and promotes diseases like septic sore throat, childbed fever and erysipelas; of staphylococcus aureus, another pus-forming germ found in boils and in infections of the bone; of the pneumonia and diphtheria germs; of the organisms that cause gonorrhea, gas gangrene, meningitis and syphilis.

In Chicago's modern Museum of Science and Industry at the foot of Lake Michigan in Jackson Park, Dr. Milan Novak, head of the department of bacteriology and public health of University of Illinois college of medicine, has established a public exhibit demonstrating the processes in the present production of penicillin.

The penicillin exhibit is just one of many in the museum's medical section, which is under direction of Dr. E. J. Carey, dean of the Marquette university medical school, Milwaukee, Wis. In this section, we are given a graphic picture of man's gradual development of curative remedies from the early uses of vegetable and mineral substances.

### Seven Benefactors.

One exhibit pictures seven great men and their works which have given mankind boundless relief from its physical illnesses:

Karl Wilhelm Scheele (1742-'98), who discovered chlorine, the constituent of common compounds like salt; tartaric acids, which make fruits taste sour; manganese, the metallic element necessary for plant development, and oxygen, the most universal of all elements.

Pelletier and Caventou, who in 1820 extracted quinine, the active medicinal constituent of cinchona, the wrinkled brown bark found by the Spaniards in Peru in 1630, and most effective in treating malaria.

Louis Jacques Thenard (1777-1857) who found boric acid and hydrogen peroxide.

Frederick Belding Powder (1853-1927), who worked on development of oil of peppermint and wintergreen, and also oil of chaulmoogra, a source of certain chemical compounds for use in treating leprosy.

Bernard Courtois (1777-1838), who isolated iodine in 1811, when he observed that washings from seaweed ashes gave off purple vapors when treated with sulphuric acid, and then turned into crystals which contained the element, now so useful in medicine.

Antoine Bilard (1802-'76), who discovered bromine in 1826.

Moderns as well as oldsters find the museum's replica of the 19th century American apothecary shop an interesting contrast to the present, streamlined drug store.

To say the least, the old apothecary shop ranked as a colorful spectacle as well as a popular medicinal center, what with its big, square jars of black ringiber, white zinc sulphide, reddish tincture of serpent and gold spirits odoratus. Drawers contained emery, talcum, manna, creta and iris.

Of interest is the 19th century doctor's bulky, varnished medicine case which he carried in his saddlebag as he made his rounds through the country. In the case, one can find quinine, turkey rhubarb, essence of peppermint, fire of magnesia, essence of ginger and tincture of orange peel.

On the counter of the apothecary shop stands a box of herbal smoking mixture for cure of catarrh, bronchitis, asthma, hay fever, lung disease, coughs, hoarseness, ulcerated throat and all pulmonary complaints, the customer merely being asked to smoke and inhale it.

Hard by the replica of the old apothecary shop, we find a drug exhibit depicting 19th century medicinal advances from the discovery of alkaloids in 1816 to the development of hormones for treatment of glandular deficiencies in 1901, with the introduction of coal-tar synthetic drugs in 1884 and thyroxin in 1893 grouped between.

### The 'Magic' Drug.

The climatic and currently most interesting exhibit, of course, is the one dealing with the growth of penicillin, from a mold to a refined liquid containing the drug which already has become as awesome, magical by word.

Step by step, the exhibit demonstrates the processes of producing penicillin:

First, there's the stock culture, with a mold similar to but not identical with green molds found on fruits or cheese, shown growing on jell-like base containing sugar.

Second, the spores (seeds) from the stock culture are transferred to a nutrient solution containing sugar, and they germinate into white woolly plants. In three days, the mold covers the surface of the liquid. This mold creates penicillin, which collects in the nutrient but not in the mold plants.

Third, as the mold plants mature, their color changes from white to gray-green because of the development of numerous spores (seeds). At this stage, the solution contains a maximum amount of penicillin and the culture is ready for collection. If allowed to become too old, the penicillin in the liquid loses some of its strength.

Fourth, the first step in collecting the penicillin is to remove the mold growth from the liquid by filtration, since the plant itself contains none of the drug. The liquid thus filtered possesses small amounts of penicillin. An elaborate process of extraction and absorption is used to concentrate and remove the penicillin from the liquid.

Fifth, the purification process removes objectionable substances. If left in its yellow-brown solution form, penicillin loses some of its strength, but is relatively stable as a powder, into which it is converted by commercial production.

When penicillin is to be injected into a patient, it is dissolved. A hypodermic syringe is used for intramuscular injection, and if intravenous injection is desired, a blood transfusion apparatus is used.

Penicillin must be tested regularly for strength. In the cup method, melted agar is uniformly inoculated with test bacteria, which cannot grow in the presence of penicillin, and is placed in a round dish to solidify. Small glass cylinders are put in the solidified agar and filled with a penicillin solution, which then seeps outward into the infected mold. The test bacteria grow and cloud the agar, except where their growth is stopped by the penicillin. The size of the clear zone is proportional to the strength of the penicillin.

If penicillin is hard to get, it's because its production is limited by its growth. From a large batch of the nutrient solution only a relatively small amount of penicillin is obtainable. As yet no synthetic method to produce the drug on a mass-scale has been developed, and until some such process is installed, the civilians' share will be strictly determined by the military and naval services' needs.



**Prof. Alexander Fleming, discoverer of penicillin, is shown with a bottle holding cultures of penicillium notatum, as he converses with two visiting Turkish doctors in his London laboratory, where he made the remarkable experiments.**



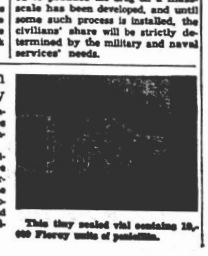
**The first time the rare drug was ever released for civilian use was in the case of Patricia Malone, two-year-old New York city girl, who was suffering from the staphylococcal type of septicemia. The army gave enough penicillin to halt the disease, when appealed to by a New York newspaper.**

## Until Synthetic Method Is Devised, Production Of Penicillin Will Remain Slow and Costly

Brought doubly into the limelight by frequent dramatic uses of the drug, penicillin has been made available in cases where the patient would respond to it, Dr. Austin E. Smith, secretary of the council on pharmacy and chemistry of the American Medical association, said.

Because of its comparative scarcity, Dr. Smith stated, unlimited use of penicillin has not been permitted, and in cases where other drugs, like the sulfonamides for instance, are effective, authorities have insisted on employing them instead.

Until synthetic production of penicillin is developed, its manufacture will continue a costly and cumbersome process. At the start of the year, about eight firms were producing quantities of penicillin, and the total was expected to be expanded to 20.



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## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**DAIRY SUBSIDIES:** Charles Holman, secretary of the National Cooperative Milk Producers federation, told a senate committee that subsidies on dairy products would have to be increased by $200,000,000 a year to give farmers a fair return. This would raise the total paid to milk producers from $550,000,000 to $750,000,000. Holman is opposed to the whole dairy subsidy program.

**SAVINGS:** In the first two years of war, savings of the American people have increased by more than 50 per cent, represented by war bonds, bank deposits and life insurance. The total of these three items on January 1 of this year was 91 billion dollars. About 12 per cent of individual income goes into these forms of savings, according to the Institute of Life Insurance.

# America to Lead Postwar World In Education

## European Universities Will Require Generation to Get Reorganized.

The United States will emerge from the war as the great intellectual center of the world, and perhaps as the principal nation attracting foreign students to its colleges and universities.

Four Columbia university professors predict such a future, a cultural development for America of the highest significance.

"There is no question," said Dean Harry J. Carman of Columbia college, "that for a generation or more, perhaps longer, the United States will be the great intellectual center of the world.

"World War I and more particularly World War II and their devastating effects upon the institutions of learning of the old world, we have come to realize that we can no longer depend upon the higher institutions of France, England and Germany as we did during the 19th century.

"Unfortunately for Europe, and fortunately for the United States, the war has driven some of the finest minds from Europe to America.

"Harvard, Yale, Columbia, California and the great state institutions of the Midwest are to the 20th century what the Sorbonne, the University of Berlin, and Oxford and Cambridge were to the 19th century."

**Stream of Foreign Students.**

Dean Robert D. Calkins of the Columbia school of business predicts there will be a continuous stream of foreign students coming to this country in the postwar years, for the United States "offers something unique in business education.

"The American war production record is attracting attention, especially by the performance of our equipment abroad," Dean Calkins said. "The jeep is an outstanding example. Foreigners want to know how it is made, how they might modify it for use in their own country. Our automotive field generally impresses foreigners. Such things will play a part in bringing foreign students to the United States for study."

Dean George B. Pegram of the graduate faculties believes the United States will be one of the leading nations in higher education to which students of other lands will come. This country has the advantage of a larger number of well-equipped and well-staffed universities, and on the whole should have the largest number of foreign students, he said.

But at the same time, such countries as England, France, Russia and the Scandinavian nations will draw foreign students for outstanding training in special fields. Language, Dean Pegram said, would seem to be a barrier to American students studying in Russia, but the U.S.S.R. will be very important for studies in the scientific fields.

# "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

*By NANCY PEPPER*

### PRIDE IN THEIR POCKETS

Pockets are more than something to put your hands in with the teen-age crowd. They are a trimming, a trick or a make-over magic disguise. Let's see why they put their pride in their pockets.



**PATCH POCKETS** — Any worn spots in your dress or blouse? Well, just cover them with a patch pocket of different fabric, no matter where. If you'd like to, have your friends autograph your pockets so that each one will bear another name.

**FLOWER POT POCKETS**—Cut a pocket in the shape of a flower pot. Then embroider stems growing out of the pots with appliqued felt or embroidered flowers. This is an especially cute thought for your old cardigan sweaters that need pepping up.

**GLOVELY POCKETS**—Take any old pair of mittens and sew them down on your skirt, one on each side. Sew the backs flat to the skirt, leaving the other sides free, so that each mitten forms a pocket. This is a cute idea for your school skirts best fall.

**CLOTHESLINE CAPERS**—Sew a patch pocket of cotton material to each side of your sweater near the top. Then fasten some doll dresses to a piece of cord with doll size clothes pins and extend the line across the front of you from one pocket to another. Doesn't make much sense, but brings you plenty of comments.

### JITTERBUG JOOLERY

*We're constantly amazed at the things you make jewelry out of. "T'other day, for instance, we saw a girl wearing a necklace of burnt-out miniature electric light bulbs, striped with nail polish and strung on yarn. Here are some more Flora and Fauna that we found in Jitterbug Jewlery.*

**CHICKEN RINGS**—Those colored plastic rings they put on chickens to identify 'em. Just attach them to one another in chain effect.

**TOOTH BRUSHES**—Well, honestly, we thought we'd seen everything. But we hadn't seen necklaces made of pieces of colored toothbrush handles, strung together. They say you can puncture holes in them with a hot ice pick. YOU try it.

**UMBRELLA TIPS** — You know those little plastic tips at the ends of your umbrella ribs? Well, teen-sters have discovered that they make dicky necklaces. Don't they ever throw ANYTHING away?

**DOMINOES**—Haven't you a box of dominoes around somewhere that isn't worth anything because some of the pieces are lost? Well, bore holes in the dominoes and string them into a necklace. Some girls make holes in the center, and use them for huge buttons.

### RHYMES WITHOUT REASON

*We asked some teensters why they said those rhymes and they couldn't give us any reason except that they liked the sound of them. Here are some of the favorites that are going the rounds.*

**What's cookin', good lookin'?**
**Soup, Droop.**

**Shoot your troubles to me, Bubbles.**

**Let's converse, Nurse.**

**Hi, Goon, Wanna Spoon?**

**Hi, Fink, what do you think?**

**Hi, Bryan, what's Fryin'?**

**Hi, cousin, what's buzzin'?**

**Slip the sherbert to me, Herbert.**

**Hi, Gait, Let's Celebrate.**

**D'you know any more?**

# 'Antique' Still Runs



**This museum piece still rolls, and Private Anthony Pfister, a flight maintenance mechanic stationed near Colorado Springs, Colo., intends to drive home in it. Only difficulty is that "home" is 2,500 miles away in Clinton, N. J., the Ford is a 1905 model, which has appeared in several movies. It has a four-cylinder engine, 28 in. tires, and acetylene headlights. Since its top speed is 20 miles per hour, Pfister will not predict when he may reach New Jersey.**

# Wins Air Medal



**First Women's Air Force Service pilot to be awarded the air medal is Barbara Erickson, who flew more than 8,000 miles in five days delivering three different types of planes. Her home is in Seattle, Wash. The medal was conferred at Avenger Field, Texas, by Gen. Henry Arnold, commander of the USAAF.**

# Flower Traps Seebee Diver, but He Escapes

Seabee A. F. Wigel, a navy diver, was working with five other men in Aleutian waters, trying to right a $7,000,000 U. S. ship. Walking on the floor of the ocean, 35 feet from the surface, Wigel's foot became tangled. He tugged and pulled, but couldn't shake loose. Then he took his long knife and sawed himself free from an apparently harmless plant. His captive was a beautiful red plant dotted with brown specks. It had long tentacles and in the center was a yellow bud, the color of a summer rose. "My curiosity got the better of me," he said, "so I found another one of these plants, picked up a star fish and dropped it on the yellow bud. Instantly the plant closed its arms over the star fish and devoured it. I was really scared."

Later, Wigel learned his captive was a flesh-eating plant. Making light of his adventure later, he grinned: "Anyway, the darn thing would have had to chew awfully fast to gobble up me and my 500 pounds of diving equipment."

# America In Action

**HERE'S LIST OF JAP TRINKETS MARINES WANT FOR SOUVENIRS**

Japanese please note: Here are a few things, in the order of their importance, the marines prefer as souvenirs, writes Staff Sergt. Donald Hallman, combat correspondent stationed on New Britain:

1—Officer's saber, preferably with inlaid mother-of-pearl hilt. (This souvenir takes on an added attraction if forcibly removed from the officer.)

2—Pistols. The holster should be included.

3—Flags. But don't get them so dirty. (Every Jap soldier carries a flag inside his helmet. He is supposed to be buried with it, but generally isn't.)

4 — Radios, preferably portable ones. And don't take the trouble to dismantle them. It only takes time to reassemble.

5—Field glasses. Any power and size will do.

6—Hara kiri ceremonial sets. (These are three-knive affairs in a little case. The Jap preparing to kill himself goes through an intricate ceremony in which the knives play an important role.)

7—Thousand-stitch good luck belts. (These belts bear stitched designs and are worn about the waist. Considering the number found on slain enemy their good luck potency is doubted.)

8—Japanese money. Not the occupation kind, but real yen notes.

9—Name stamps. (Japanese carry little stamps for signing their names. Some are of ivory and beautifully engraved.)

10—Chop sticks, but be sure and clean them. Never mind the wooden ones. We prefer ivory sets.

11 — Socks, handkerchiefs, and canned beat. This last item is very important in the jungle, where dry wood is at a premium.

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## Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



Keep your beauty tools ready for use at a minute's notice. Always cover your powder box, that keeps in the fragrance and keeps the powder clean. Keep bottle necks clean. Cork your perfume. Clean your rouge boxes. Sharpen your eyebrow pencils and shape your lipsticks.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# Survey Shows Need of a Ten Million Houses Annually for First Ten Years After War

America's postwar demand for housing probably will exceed 1,000,000 units per year for the first 10 years after the firing stops and should bring employment and production in the home-construction and related industries up to levels "in excess of anything accomplished in the past."

This is one of the central findings of the research staff in a major survey of the entire field of American housing, its problems and prospects, soon to be issued by the Twentieth Century Fund.

The investigators report that "the housing stock as a whole is in an extremely deteriorated condition. In urban areas, more than 23 per cent of all dwellings had no private bath in 1940 and over 10 per cent were in need of major repairs. In the rural communities these percentages were considerably higher, and on farms higher still. Of the houses either needing major repairs or without private bath, 8.2 million were in urban areas, constituting almost 29 per cent of the urban supply. Disregarding the lack of private baths in rural areas, 4.3 million houses, representing over 27 per cent of the rural supply, were in need of major repairs.

"Considering only population pressure, on the one hand, and existing badly deteriorated housing, on the other, 820,000 nonfarm units a year is a minimum estimate of the potential demand for new housing during the postwar decade. During the thirties, the ratio of new nonfarm dwellings to net additions in number of families was only three to five. About half the unprovided families moved into remodeled or vacant houses, but 861,000 doubled up or lived in makeshift shelters.

"Nonfarm vacancies in 1940 were 1.4 million units or 4.8 per cent of the total supply, chiefly in deteriorated houses or where the demand had been removed by migration. Since war conditions have almost eliminated vacancies in all but the most inactive areas, considerable new construction will be required to provide a sufficient number of vacancies to meet market requirements.

"Finally, it will be necessary to build new houses as the existing stock continues to depreciate. Therefore, in addition to the replacements necessary to catch up with past deterioration, a further replacement rate of 1 per cent a year of the remainder would mean 260,000 new nonfarm units annually.

"No strain is required to build up an estimate of potential new housing demand amounting to 1,300,000, or even more, nonfarm units a year during the first decade after the war. There would, in addition, be a heavy demand for farm housing, repairs and alterations."

## What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



Your linen closet can be made so attractive very easily—why not clean it out and have it "just so"?

Get quilted chintz for the shelves—and a plain colored trim for the edge of the shelf. Sprinkle lavender on the shelves—then tack the quilted chintz down. Chintz will retain the odor of lavender a long time—and glazed chintz can be cleaned with a damp cloth.

While talking about closets—How is your kitchen closet kept? Do you have fancy paper edging on your shelves?—special hangers for larger utensils?—a good light to help you find things? These things can be done with so little trouble and you are so pleased when they're finished that I strenuously advise a "closet fixing" day some time soon.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# PATTERNS

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# ASK ME ANOTHER ?

A General Quiz

## The Questions

1. What is the facial aspect for which the Cheshire cat is noted?
2. What are a ship's davits?
3. WAC officers and enlisted personnel wear replicas of the headgear of what warrior maiden?
4. Who were the first printers?
5. What is the supercargo on a ship?
6. How long has Turkey been a republic?
7. If a stirrup bar is that part of a saddle to which the strap is fastened, what is a stirrup cup?
8. The Battle of Brandywine was fought in what state?

## The Answers

1. Grinning.
2. Cranes for the lifeboats.
3. Athena.
4. The Chinese.
5. The officer or person on a merchant ship in charge of the commercial details of the voyage.
6. Since 1923.
7. A cup of wine or the like taken by a rider about to depart; hence a farewell cup.
8. Pennsylvania.

One thing a soldier is afraid of is a display of emotion. That's why his slang so often sounds derogatory. For example, he refers to the silver eagles on his colonel's shoulder straps as "buzzards." But when he speaks of his favorite cigarette, he says: "Camels." They're first with most in the Army as well as with Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen. (According to actual sales records in service men's stores.) And though there are Post Office restrictions on packages to overseas Army men, you can still send Camels to soldiers in the U. S., and to men in the Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard wherever they are.—Adv.


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**Injuries of Workers**

Injuries among industrial workers have been found, in one recent survey, to occur to various parts of the body in these relative frequencies: hand 1,000, arm 340, leg 311, head 279, eye 236 and foot 119.


SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

Planes fly in supplies and bring out crude rubber from Central American plantations. Weeks are saved by this method of transportation.

In building a battleship it takes 150,000 pounds of rubber. This is equivalent to the rubber used in the manufacture of more than 12,000 small passenger-car tires.

The first city omnibus lines, the forerunner of modern motor bus transportation, started operations over the streets of Paris in 1662.

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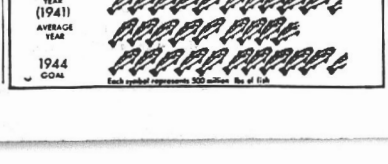
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## New Antilouse Powder Used to Fight Typhus

ALGIERS, ALGERIA. — The army's antilouse powder "DDT," applied for the first time on a mass scale to combat an epidemic, has arrested the spread of typhus in Naples, Brig. Gen. Leon Fox, Birmingham, Ala., field director of the United States typhus commission, told the Allied medical conference here.

## TELEFACT

U. S. FISHERMEN AIM FOR RECORD CATCH





## Army's 'Wasp Wagon' Has a Wonderful Sting

CLEVELAND.—Already a veteran of three major campaigns, the army's "wasp wagon" had its first public bow. The newest mobile anti-aircraft weapon, known as the M-16, is a swift half-track vehicle carrying a cluster of four .50-caliber Browning machine guns geared together for a fire power of up to 2,000 shots a minute.

Its four-pronged turret can be operated in all directions.

# Folks You Know . .

Mrs. Glenn Leverette of Hollywood arrived Thursday for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Dyer.

Glenn Sheumaker of Hollywood, spent several days here this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sheumaker.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Farnell spent the Easter week end in Tampa with their son, Ivor Farnell and family.

Misses Mary Carratt, Gloria Hughs, Winnie Hood, Betty Touchton, Susan Dorminey, Martha Mc Nicholas, all students at Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee, are spending the week end here at their homes.

Cadet Pete Ragsdale, of Florida Military Academy, St. Petersburg, is home for the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ragsdale.

T. O. Martin left Thursday night for Jay, Florida, where he was called by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. S. H. Martin.

Mrs. E. C. Crutchfield left Thursday for Milton to visit Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Crutchfield for several months.

Mrs. Lucy Crumley returned home Thursday from Los Angeles, Cal., where she has been spending the past three months with relatives.

Mrs. Ruth Clowe, who underwent a major operation at a Tampa hospital Saturday morning, is convalescing nicely, her many friends will be pleased to learn.

Cadet Bill Beckett, who is attending Florida Military Academy at St. Petersburg is spending several days spring vacation here at his home. He has as his guest, Cadet Joe Newman of New York, who is also a student at the Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carter and family had as their guests on Monday, Mrs. Carter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Trask and daughters, Misses Dot and Betty of Lakeland.

Mrs. R. W. Callis of Sanford was the guest last week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gough. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. June Cooper and son, Jimmie, who will visit her for some time. Mrs Callis was Miss Virginia Gough, prior to her marriage.

Mrs. Pat Pollock and sons, Jim and Dennis of Jacksonville Beach are the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Turner. When they return home, they will be accompanied by little Miss Patsy Pollock, who has been spending some time with her grand parents.

Miss Daisy Smith and her brother, H. Smith, who have spent the past several months at their home on Highlands avenue, have returned to Suring, Wisconsin.

Ensign Edward Sherman, naval air corps, who is spending his leave here at his home, left Monday for Baltimore to visit his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bowman and ten-year old daughter, Sheila, left Thursday for Moultrie, Ga., to make their home. Mr. Bowman expects to engage in farming. They have sold their home here to C. H. Walker.

**Mrs. Kenney Attends Convention**

Mrs. Chas. F. Kenney, newly elected president of the Avon Park Woman's Club, attended the Golden Jubilee Convention of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs held in Tampa this week. The 1945 convention will be held in Lakeland.

Miss Marjorie Wells returned to Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., Monday morning after spending the Easter vacation here with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Wells and her sister, Miss Betty Jo Wells. She had as her guest Miss Peggy Phillips of Spartanburg, S. C., also a student at Winthrop.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Huebner, who have been spending the past several days in Lakeland, where Mr. Huebner has been a patient in a hospital returned home Thursday. Friends will be gratified to know that his condition has greatly improved. Their daughter, Mrs. Ray Wells, went to Lakeland for the day, and they accompanied her home.

Miss Gaile Coen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., left Sunday for Chicago, Ill., where she will be with the Child Evangelism Fellowship at 800 n. Clark street. Miss Coen graduated in June from Wheaton college, Wheaton, Ill., where she majored in christian education.

Capt. and Mrs. Richard B. Wiggins of Camp Swift, Texas arrived Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Wiggins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dorminey. They will leave Saturday for Fort Lauderdale and Miami, where they will be the guests of friends, returning here for a brief visit, before leaving for their home in Texas. Mrs. Wiggins was formerly Miss Frances Dorminey.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton hav as their guest, their nephew, Lt. (jg.) Ed Martin Green, son of Dr. A. G. Green of Union City, Ga., and formerly of Avon Park. Lt. Green has just recently returned from the South Pacific, where he completed his missions, flying one of the Navy's famous Hellcats. He will be stationed in Daytona Beach, where he will be an instructor in fighter tactics. Among his citations is the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Miss Margaretha Vogt spent last week end in Tampa, where she went to visit her friend, Miss Martha Jeuther, who is a patient at the municipal hospital. While in Tampa, she was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Marlin, formerly of Avon Park.

Mrs. W. E. Fitch and daughter, Miss Beverly Fitch, and younger son and daughter, Blaine and Sharon, and Miss Nancy Yarn of Ft. Meade were the guests of Mrs. E. R. Carter and family Monday afternoon.

Captain John Townsend Gill of West Hartford, Conn., was the guest of Mrs. R. P. Davidson, and her sister-in-law, Miss Alice Davidson at their home, Hollyhurst last week end.


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for SENATOR
*AL DUNHAM*
ARCADIA, FLORIDA


## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TOM W. DOBSON)

The boxing exhibition sponsored by the American Legion and held in the USO Club on Friady, March 31, was considered a grand success. The American Red Cross benefited to the amount of $418.00. Harry Price, Bill Hetherington, Paul Garber, and many other men in town canvassed in the sale of tickets to make the show a financial success. It is planned to hold another boxing show here in about a month for the benefit of the Army Air Force Relief Society.

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary for their donations on each Sunday of fruit and cake to be served the service personnel and their wives. Many of the service personnel who are the recipients of the Sunday refreshments ask whom they may thank. We inform them that the ladies comprising the American Auxiliary are the ones who have been so kind and considerate.

The recent Tuesday night dances, including our last which was a Spring formal, have been quite successful. However, we still have many vacancies for young ladies as dancing partners for the many, many servicemen who come for an evening of dancing. At the Spring formal the past Tuesday evening, waltz contest winners were Miss Mary Smith of Frostproof and Sgt. John Snow of A. P. A. A. F. Serving as Senior Hostesses in the ballroom were Mrs. R. R. Porterfield and Mrs. C. Parke Anderson. Assisting in our Snack Bar were Mrs. C. S. Pardee, Miss Verna Heim, and Mrs. Muriel Boardman. We are most grateful to these ladies for their very fine assistance.

The Feature Movie to be shown on Wednesday evening in the USO ballroom is entitled "Star Spangled Rhythm." According to descriptive heralds this is a musical comedy that has everything and everybody. A cordial invitation is extended to the servicemen and their wives to attend this feature.

We wish to thank H. R. Currie for the flowers which he sent us to decorate the club at Easter time. Also our thanks to Mrs. Paul L. Rumpsa for pouring at our tea held on Easter Sunday afternoon.

## Church Notes

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. Hoyt Tatum, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.: Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.: Dr. Robert MacGowan will be the guest speaker at both the morning and evening services.

He will also speak at the church each evening, through Friday at 8:00 p. m.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

**THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)**
Rev. John Ellis Daley, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

**UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**
Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

**THE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday, Bible study, 8:00 P. M. by Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas.


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## *Social Security Card Insufficient Identification*

Merchants or banks which cash a check of any kind for an individual who has nothing more than a social security card to identify him, does so at his own risk.

Joe P. Verri, Manager of the Social Security Board in West Palm, Beach, Fla. said today, "It has come to my attention that certain people are trying to cash stolen or lost war allotment checks by using a Social Security Account number card as identification. Social Security cards are for the purpose of identifying the worker's wage record account and is not valid identification for any other purpose. The possession of a Social Security card is not an indication of the financial responsibility or identity of the individual who possesses it. From time to time, we have had requests for information that would help to identify or locate the holder of the Social Security Account card. The Social Security Board is forbidden by law to divulge any information regarding the identity or address of anyone in possession of a Social Security Card."


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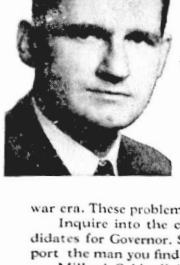
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For our next Governor, Florida should have the best qualified man in the race. Our next Governor will have to handle the problems of the war and the post-war era. These problems will be many and difficult.

Inquire into the character, ability and experience of the candidates for Governor. Study their records . . . then select and support the man you find best qualified.

Millard Caldwell is recognized to be calm, level-headed, energetic and sincere; a man of sound business ability and tested statesmanship. His record proves his capability and qualifications.

**MILLARD CALDWELL'S RECORD**

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★ CITY ATTORNEY
★ COUNTY ATTORNEY
★ SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY
★ MEMBER FLORIDA LEGISLATURE
★ UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
★ CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATE TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IN HOLLAND AND NORWAY
★ BEGAN IN 1934 TO LEAD FIGHT IN CONGRESS FOR BIGGER ARMY AND NAVY
★ FORESAW AND WARNED AGAINST JAP WAR MENACE YEARS BEFORE PEARL HARBOR
★ MEMBER FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE IN CONGRESS
★ MEMBER OF APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE IN CONGRESS
★ ADVOCATED AND VOTED FOR FLORIDA OLD AGE ASSISTANCE
★ ADVOCATED FOREIGN AID TO FLORIDA ISLANDS
★ LEADER IN ESTABLISHING AND EXPANDING U. S. NAVAL AND ARMY AIR STATIONS IN FLORIDA
★ A HIGHLY RESPECTED ABLE LAWYER PROMINENT IN STATE AND NATIONAL AFFAIRS
★ PRACTICAL AND SUCCESSFUL FARMER
★ SUCCESSFUL STOCK BREEDER

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BIG DOUBLE FEATURE
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Here is that laugh, thrill, and music packed hit you have been waiting for.
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*"PILOT NO. 5"*
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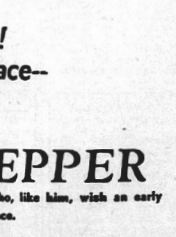
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**—Our Nation is fighting for its existence.**

**—Greedy, heartless dictators have long plotted to attack and destroy us.**

**—Claude Pepper foresaw this attack and warned us.**

**—Claude Pepper did all in his power to prepare us for the assault which struck us at Pearl Harbor.**

**—Claude Pepper has worked for every measure that would help us win an early and complete victory.**

**—Claude Pepper is still working for our State and Nation to bring us victory—his good work must not be interrupted.**

**—Claude Pepper favors and will work for a just, lasting and secure peace. Let us make no mistake in our leadership this time. Claude Pepper's seniority in the Senate will command great usefulness to the cause of that peace our sons are fighting for.**

**—Let us end this campaign on May 2nd by giving Claude Pepper the majority he deserves.**

*For Victory!*
*For Lasting Peace--*
*Vote For*

**CLAUDE PEPPER**

This ad paid for by friends of Claude Pepper who, like him, wish an early victory and a lasting peace.

## — BUS REPORT —

(Continued From Page One)

ed in by the driver. This system does not provide a satisfactory check upon the Bus Line receipts. Unsuccessful attempts have been made to secure visible coin meters.

(4) Military Police, on duty in the City, have been instructed to periodically check the Main Street Bus Station, but despite this there have been cases of drunk and disorderly conduct among the soldiers at the Bus Station and on the buses, resulting in some cases in damage to the bus equipment.

(5) Bus service to the negro quarters has not been maintained due to the following causes:

(a) White drivers have not been secured who are willing to make these runs without Military Police protection for each bus.

(b) For a period no buses in operable condition were available.

(6) The maintenance work required on the buses is more than can be properly cared for by the mechanic and helper, necessitating the employment of local garages to do a part of the work. This has proven generally unsatisfactory, because of the already crowded condition of the local garages. Separate maintenance costs on each bus are not kept on the city books. There are no housing facilities for the buses when not in operation. Preventive maintenance has been inadequate in the past.

(7) The cleaning of buses is done by the drivers. There are no porters employed for this work.

(8) Schedules are generally satisfactorily maintained although testimony was introduced indicating that at times of peak traffic buses were over-crowded and in some instances passengers were unduly delayed.

(9) The City Bus Station is used jointly with a privately owned taxicab operation. There is inadequate seating capacity for waiting passengers and often times undue confusion because of this joint operation.

In addition to the foregoing the attention of the City Council is invited to the following items in the auditors report, copies of which have been heretofore furnished you:

(1) The profit of $6521.08 made during the five-month period of the 15c fare rate as against the profit of $24,172.40 made during the 10-month period of the 20c fare rate.

(2) The very low limits of insurance coverage for personal liability.

(3) The auditors comments on the very lax method of handling cash and checking upon receipts.

(4) The auditors suggestions for changes in accounting methods.

The committee attempted to analyze and compare the City's operating costs in the various departments over a five year period. We were unsuccessful in this because of the lack of a satisfactory breakdown of capital items on the City's records. To make such a statement, with any degree of accuracy, would require the services of an experienced auditor over a considerable period.

The committee checked on the former report of a health officer regarding health facilities at Donaldson Park Trailer Camp. It was reported that the required toilet and bathing facilities had been provided as well as that disinfectant foot baths had been secured. It was also reported to the committee that a subsequent inspection disclosed that a disinfectant foot bath was lacking at the women's shower and that screens were required at the toilet rooms.

The committee was advised that close cooperation is being maintained between the Civil Authorities and the Military police in eradicating sources of veneral infection in the negro quarters.

The foregoing constitutes the findings of the committee on the subjects referred to it for investigation.

Respectfully submitted,
E. G. TODD
Chairman.
S. F. LONGBOTTOM
Secretary

## Books Donated By PTA Now In Circulation

The seventy-eight books bought with the P. T. A. donations are all in circulation now. From their comments, students seem to be enjoying them a great deal.

The number of books circulated during March was 1,250. The amount of overdues collected during March was $4.02. The circulation increased because of the larger number of new books put into circulation recently, and the overdues increased because of the great increase in circulation. Before the end of the school year, the pennies collected will be used to purchase new books or needed library supplies.

Each student has a blue reading card on which is recorded the title of each book as the book is charged out. There is space for 25 book titles on each card. Quite a few students have filled one card and have started on their second. On or two exceptionally good readers have started on their third card. Students should be careful not to read too much, however. TOO MUCH will probably be determined by two factors: reading enough to strain the eyes, and reading enough to neglect class work and other important duties. Reading should have the proper place in every person's life, but like everything else, in some cases it can be overdone. It is up to every individual to decide how much time he can afford to spend in reading each day. Reading is a pleasant pastime for those who have learned to appreciate and enjoy it.

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Make Sure You Are Registered and help elect your County Officials for the next four years.

Your election of me as your County Judge will be returned with clean administration, impartial treatment and faithful performance of the office.

Howard Livingston
*Candidate for County Judge*

## *Opposes Lee*



C. O. WRIGHT

## Palatka Man In Race For Comptroller

C. O. Wright, prominent Palatka attorney, has qualified for the office of State Comptroller, opposing Col. J. M. Lee, who is running for re-election.

Wright, a graduate of Stetson University and for three and one half years attorney for the State Road Department, will at once begin an aggressive campaign, he said.

In making his announcement, Wright declared that he would campaign principally on the issue of restoring local self-determination to county officials throughout the state.

"Our county officials have been too long under the thumb of centralized power in Tallahassee," he declared. "Local elective officials and boards are now forced to look to the state capital for direction and for authority in far too many instances. It is my belief that the local authorities are best-equipped to make their own decisions. If they prove themselves inefficient they must then answer to the voters who elected them. In my opinion, county officials and boards are, on the whole, composed of able and competent men who are more able to direct their local affairs and make their own decisions than any autocrat in Tallahassee.

"There will be other issues in this campaign but this, I believe, is among the foremost of them. The trend toward centralized government must be stopped whether it be a trend toward total control of local affairs by the state or of state affairs by the Federal Government."

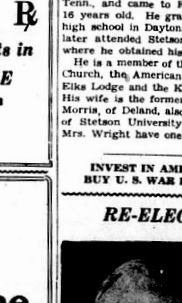
Wright is 38 years old and a veteran of the present war. He enlisted in the Army as a volunteer in 1942 but was later honorably discharged for physical disability due to an accident incurred in line of duty.

He was born in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and came to Florida when 16 years old. He graduated from high school in Daytona Beach and later attended Stetson University where he obtained his law degree.

He is a member of the Methodist Church, the American Legion, the Elks Lodge and the Kiwanis Club. His wife is the former Miss Alma Morris, of Deland, also a graduate of Stetson University. Mr. and Mrs. Wright have one son.

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## *RE-ELECT*



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(Political advertisement paid for by friends of Mr. Douglas).

## *Old Folks Checks To Be Increased*

Because Florida's tax collections have increased so rapidly that unexpected funds are suddenly available for increasing many of the assistance checks payable to old folks from The State Welfare Fund, there will be a slight delay in the first batch of checks due this month, State Comptroller, J. M. Lee states. Pointing to the unprecedented improvement in the state's financial position Comptroller Lee stated the State Welfare Board had advised him its forces are rushing work on new allocations that will increase hundreds of the welfare assistance checks during April rather than wait until May to give such increases as are possible.

"Consistent with my established policy, there will be no delay in mailing these checks as soon as revised lists are certified by the welfare board," Comptroller Lee has announced in Tallahassee.

In making the decision not to wait a month to start the increased assistance where possible, officials felt that every person on the roll would be more than willing to wait a few days for the April check, if it would let a great majority get a larger check one month sooner. And meantime auditors expect to catch up rapidly and anticipate a delay only on less than a third of the checks.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF INGA HERNDON FOR AUTHORITY TO SELL CERTAIN REAL ESTATE, THE PROPERTY OF CHARLOTTE M. HERNDON, A MINOR.
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID LANDS:

Notice is hereby given of the intention of Inga Herndon, as Guardian of the estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a minor, to apply to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, for authority to sell the following property situate in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

An undivided 1/4 interest in all of Blocks Sixty six (66) and Sixty Seven (67), of "Hillcrest" of Lake Lillian Section of Highland Lakes a subdivision in Township 33 South, Range 28 East, as per replat thereof recorded in the public records of Highlands County, Florida.

Said application will be made to said Judge at his office in the Court House, Sebring, Florida, at eleven o'clock A. M., May 5th, A. D. All persons interested in said lands are hereby warned to appear before said Judge at the time and place mentioned and show cause, if any they have, why authority to sell said lands should not be granted.

Dated April 7th, 1944.
MRS. INGA HERNDON
As Guardian of the Estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a Minor
April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Laws of 1933
Re Estate of
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON,
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 and required to present any claim or demand of any nature whatsoever against the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington, 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 the manner prescribed by the statutes and Post Office address of the Claimant and be sworn to by the Claimant, his Agent or Attorney.

Date of first publication March 31, 1944.

BELIAH E. SAPPINGTON
As Executrix of said Estate.
COLQUITT PARDEE,
Attorney
Delta Bldg.,
Avon Park, Fla.
M. 31, Apr. 7, 14, 21.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY IN CHANCERY
C. H. WALKER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ABBIE R. DODGE, ET AL,
Defendants.
NOTICE TO APPEAR

Notice is hereby given to Abbie R. Dodge and ——— Dodge, her husband, Thomas McBride and ——— McBride, his wife, Arthur D. Dunn and ——— Dunn, his wife, Hugh T. Lawrence and ——— Lawrence, his wife, Mary J. Faulkner, individually, and ——— Faulkner, her husband, and Mary J. Faulkner, Administratrix of the estate of Harry Walpole Dexter, deceased, Mary C. Brady, individually, and ——— Brady, her husband, and Mary C. Brady as Executrix under the last will and testament of Joseph A. Brady, deceased, and to all persons, known or unknown, having an interest in the following described property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 8, less the north five feet thereof, the north fifteen feet of Lot 9, and all of Lots 11 and 16, Block 50, 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 C. H. Walker 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 other parties in interest, are hereby required to file with the Clerk of said Court your written appearance, personally or by attorney, in said suit on the first Monday in May, A. D. 1944, being the first day of said month and a Rule Day, and thereafter to file with said Clerk your written defenses, if any you have, to the bill of complaint at the time prescribed by law, or decree will be entered against you and each and all 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 31st day of March 1944.

H. T. PIETY,
(SEAL) Clerk Circuit Court.
By HELEN B. DESHONG
Deputy Clerk.
March 31., Apr. 7, 14, 21

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN CHANCERY.
JESSE HUBERT PELLUM, et al,
Plaintiff,
vs.
STATE WELFARE BOARD et al,
Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL WHALL IT MAY CONCERN, that a petition has been filed in this office by above named petitioners against A. Nelda Pellum and others, praying for the adoption of a child born unto A. Nelda Pellum of date Jan. 1, 1944, of which the birth certificate recites you are its father. Object of petition and this order is for you to show cause, if any you can, before the Court, on the 8th day of May 1944 why the Court should not permit petitioners to adopt said child.

It is ordered that this notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said return day in the Scenic Highlands Sun, a newspaper published in Avon Park, Florida, because it appears that the said Hardin is not within the jurisdiction of a non resident of Florida.

Witness my hand and seal this the 6th day of April 1944.

H. T. PIETY
(SEAL) As Clerk of Said Court.
M. R. McDONALD,
ATTY. FOR PET.
April 7, 14, 21, 28

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1662

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that J. F. and A. F. Spooner, the holders of the following certificates have 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. 881
Year of issuance 1941
Description of Property: Lot 1, Blk. 37, Eighth Add. to Sebring, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Henry Gake.

Certificate No. 468
Year of Issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lots 14, 15 & Wly. of Lot 16, Blk. 37, Per Plat Book 3, Page 31, S.10 of Irregular Tracts, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 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 door on the first Monday in month of May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.
H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
By HELEN S. PECK,
(SEAL) Deputy Clerk.
M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1662

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that V. G. Durrence has filed said 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. 289
Year of issuance 1940
Description of Property 415.8 Ft. N & S x 149 Ft E & W in Northern part of Blk 176 – A Replat of that Part of Sebring Summit Per Plat Book A, Page 19, Section 29, Township 34 South Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.
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 May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.
H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
By HELEN S. PECK,
(SEAL) Deputy Clerk.
M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1662

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Swain F. Bowers 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. 635
Year of Issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lot 6, Block 2, Hillcrest Addition Per Plat Book 2, Page 99, Section 31, Township 36 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed Steve Hancock.

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 May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.
H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, that Notice is hereby given that an election is hereby called to be held at the same time and with the same officials of those in charge of the General Primary Election to be held in Highlands County, Florida, on the 2nd day of May 1944 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of Highlands County, Florida, whether or not two Acts of the Florida Legislature of 1943 will take effect, namely

Chapter 22318 Special Acts of the Legislature of 1943 relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Bond Trustees at $40.00 per month for the Secretary and $20.00 per month for the other members, of Highlands County, Florida.

Chapter 21698 General Laws of Florida 1943, relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County, Florida at $600 per year payable monthly.

The question of approval or disapproval of each of said acts will be presented on the official ballot at said Primary election. If a majority of the votes cast for the adoption of the act is voted for, the same shall thence become effective. If a majority fails to vote in favor of the adoption and vote against the adoption the Act shall not take effect.

That this notice and resolution shall be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said day of election in some newspaper published in the County as may be selected by the person acting as Clerk to this Board.

Board of County Commissioners,
By L. CREWS
Its Chairman
Attested by
H. T. PIETY
Ex Officio Clerk
By S. E. BOOTH
Deputy Clerk and as Clerk for said Board.
M. 24, 31, Ap. 7, 14.

# Political Announcements

RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

### FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DIMBERLINE

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to

**1944.**

DAN YOUNG

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

### FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce for the office of Judge of the County Judge's Court, subject to May 2 Primary election. If elected, I will observe court hours, I will exercise diligence in the dispatch of business; I will be patient and courteous; I will judge the causes of all persons uprightly and impartially; I will uphold the law.

S. COLQUITT PARDEE

### FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

### FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

### FOR CONSTABLE,

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

WILEY SAULS

### FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND N. DROIT

### FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

### FOR STATE SENATOR

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare respectively as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER

## THE SCENIC HIGHLANDS SUN

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**NOT A "NEW DEAL" DEAL**

We join heartily with Forbes Magazine when it calls for elimination of double taxation such as is now levied against individuals income from dividends on which corporations have already paid taxes. Earnings — be they from the manufacturers of cheese or trains — should be taxed just once; either to when the corporation chalks them up or when the stockholder gets them. That is also true of interest on bonds.

But when Liberty Leaguer Forbes seeks to imply that the New Deal is responsible for this iniquitous injustice against one group of investors, he goes far afield.

Mr. Forbes says::

No sensible citizen outside the rank of New Deal zealots wants such lurching towards totalitarianism.

Mr. Forbes knows that the New Dealers aren't responsible for this provision of our tax laws. It was the law when Mr. Hoover and that prince of high finance Andrew Mellon was secretary of the treasury ruling the lives of congressional taxation committees with a much "higher hand" than the present administration ever wielded.

That's just a part of the blind hate that is swinging at the present administration right now — and a good sample of how trustworthy most of the anti-administration propaganda is.

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**CORRECT, FOR NOW.**

One of the financial magazines complains bitterly that corporation taxes are running far ahead of corporation dividends — and lists a few examples. We quote the list.

| Company | Taxes per share | Common Dividends Per Share |
|---|---|---|
| American Sugar Ref. | $ 8.93 | $2.00 |
| American Tel & Tel. | 23.29 | 9.00 |
| Armstrong Cork | 4.19 | 1.35 |
| Atchison Top. & Santa Fe | 60.00 | 6.00 |
| Chrysler | 11.07 | 3.00 |
| Consolidated Edison, N. Y. | 5.74 | 1.60 |
| General Foods | 4.26 | 1.60 |
| Johns-Manville | 13.56 | 2.25 |
| National Dairy Products | 5.77 | 1.00 |
| Pennsylvania R. R. | 13.72 | 2.50 |
| Pullman | 15.00 | 3.00 |
| Revere Copper & Brass | 10.22 | None |
| Westinghouse | 31.75 | 4.00 |

What big business seems to overlook in its hue and cry against the present administration is that at least in THIS particular government is following the direct mandate and desire of the people of America as almost unanimously expressed following the first world war.

That demand was: "Take the profit out of war."

The dividends listed above are excellent "interest" on the corporate investments and top notch "pay" for the "hire" of money. That's all money is entitled to in a time of war.

Profiteering was a disgrace in the last war. Roosevelt and whoever helps him now are entitled to credit for taking the profiteering out of this war — and all who decry any method that accomplishes this result poorly serves our country and its war effort.

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**MORONS OR CRIMINALS**

We can find no basis for the frequent outcry for sympathy for the poor downtrodden German people as against the monster Hitler.

We can not separate the German sheep from the German goats in the matter of guilt for today's orgy of blood. We doubt that there is any basis of separation.

The people of Germany went into this war with their eyes wide open in hopes of setting themselves up as masters of the world. They willingly and jubilantly followed the leadership of the master master. They were to "get theirs" when he led them to the mountain top and laid the world at their feet.

The masses of Germans — with perhaps an occasional exception — are war criminals. Just that. That's all.

There is only one other explanation. Either they are war criminals or they are morons — and no one has yet successfully accused the people of Hitler's Germany of being simple minded — much less being morons.

No sir! They are right smart war criminals lusting for pelf and supremacy. There is no place in the world for an unchastened Germany. So put away your tears and sympathy while the boys "over there" give them "everything" they've got — or we can send 'em.

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**DISCIPLINE THE ANSWER.**

Criticism of Paul Mallon, columnist, for his insistence upon a deeper understanding of the value of discipline in meeting the problems of juvenile delinquency seems to fall on infertile ground — especially as far as his urge that schools and home take the lead.

Critics have accused him of urging some sort of regimentation or dictatorship which is really humorous in view of the fact that Paul has opposed dictatorship and regimentation far more vigorously than many of his critics.

But he really nails them to the cross when he points to what he means by asking if we shall do away with the discipline that keeps youngsters from cutting their initials on church pews to avoid dictatorship.

If we are to have the sort of discipline that protects church property for minor vandalism —why not apply that same pressure to the younger generation for the protection of school property.

And then carry the same theme on until we have thrown about the youngsters sufficient discipline to protect other property and finally protect the youngsters themselves from their own wildness however and wherever it may rear its head.

## AS OTHER EDITORS SEE IT

**ON THE WRONG TRACK!**

Some one wants to be elected comptroller so he can do away with any suggestion, counsel or advice from state officials to county officials.

The gentleman started running for the legislature from Putnam County and qualified for that race in January. Then suddenly—for some unexplained reason—shifted at the eleventh hour to run against State Comptroller Jim Lee.

Before taking any issue with the gentleman we wonder why he jumped "races" if he really wants what he says he wants.

The legislature is the one place to prevent state officials from telling county officials anything. The only reason any state official tells any county official anything is because the legislature has passed laws requiring state officials to do this and thus.

There are, however, two pertinent points we would like to raise.

When the present laws were being considered by the 1941 legislative committees, State Comptroller J. M. Lee publicly expressed his doubts as to desirability of the proposal to put the added powers in the hands of state officials. AND —

Who is going to audit county officials if the state auditor (who is not the comptroller) is relieved of that duty?

The gentleman from Putnam should go back and jump again — right into the race for the legislature in his home county. He might get somewhere in that race. He'd at least be on the right track.—Williston Sun.

## More Butter and Cheese, Less Meat Civilian Prospect

More butter and American cheese, but slightly less meat, are in prospect for civilians during the April-May-June quarter than during the first three months of this year, R. P. Howard, area supervisor of the War Food Administration's Office of Distribution, said this week.

Mr. Howard disclosed that an April lag in governmental buying for the armed forces "should result in giving civilians a relatively large supply of butter — much larger than last April, for instance, when 30 per cent of the month's output was set aside for war use." The "set aside" for government purchase in April is only 10 per cent.

The civilian allocation of American (cheddar) cheese during the second quarter will total 120,000,000 pounds — 10,000,000 pounds a month more than for the past six months. However, Howard said, housewives will receive a smaller quantity of other cheeses, such as Swiss, Italian, limburger, etc., than in the first quarter — 44,200,000 pounds, compared with 45,000,000 pounds.

The April-May-June allocation of meat for civilians will drop to about 4,485,200,000 pounds, compared with 5,091,300,000 pounds in the first quarter when livestock marketing was at its peak. About the same proportions of beef, pork, veal and lamb will be available as during the first three months.

Civilian supplies of evaporated and condensed milk will remain at the same level as in the January-through-March period.

Among the foods expected to be in good supply throughout the second quarter are potatoes, cabbage, spinach, lettuce and other leafy greens, carrots, beets, citrus fruits, canned green and wax beans, tomatoes, and a number of other fresh vegetables; frozen vegetables, shell eggs, and fluid milk.

In addition to these seasonally-abundant foods, cereals and cereal products, such as bread, flour, noodles and spaghetti, are expected to be plentiful through the year, Howard said.

## Civilians to Get Little Less Sugar

Civilian consumers will get less sugar this year, but the reduction in supply — about six percent — will be scarcely noticeable to the individual civilian, R. P. Howard, area supervisor for the War Food Administration's Office of Distribution, said this week.

Howard, cited increased use of sugarcane molasses for industrial alcohol, mounting needs for armed forces, and wartime shipping conditions as joint causes for the reduced sugar supply for civilians. The increased demand for industrial alcohol, particularly for making synthetic rubber and other vital war products, is almost 50 per cent above that of 1943 and 180 per cent greater than in 1942, he added.

Tentative allocations just announced by the WFA would give civilians 5,074,906 short tons, raw basis, of the estimated available supply of 6,529,098 tons.


**POINCIANA LODGE No. 227 F. & A. M.**

Meets first and third Mondays of each month at 8:00 sharp. Masonic Temple.

S. Colquitt Pardee, Secy.


**The Board of Directors of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Building at 8:15 P. M.

All members invited to attend meetings.

J. Paul Garber, Secy.

## HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY NOTES

New books that have been put into circulation during the past three weeks are as follows:

Wags and Blaze by Aldredge.
Billy and Blaze by Anderson.
Animals Everywhere by Aulaire.
Barney's Adventure by Austin.
Willamette Way by Austin.
Story of Little Black Sambo by Bannerman.
Pelle's New Suit by Beakow.
Little Wooden Doll by Bianco.
Greedy Goat by Brock.
Johnny Crow's Garden by Brooke.
Johnn Crow's party by Brooke.
So-Fat and Mew-Mew by Craik.
A Girl Grows Up by Pedder.
A Boy Grows Up by McKown.
Questions Girls Ask by Welshimer.
Personality Preferred! by Woodward.
This Believing World by Browne.
I Am an American by Benjamin.
Clubs, Making and Management by Stern.
Beyond High School by Bennett.
Spanish-English Dictionary by Cuyas.
Elementary Latin Dictionary by Lewis.
Friendship Village by Gale.
Andrew Jackson, the Fighting President by Nicolay.
Behave Yourself by Allen.
Aquarium Book for Boys and Girls by Morgan.
Man at Work and His Industries by Rugg.
How Man Made Music by Buchanan.
Best Short Stories for Children by Leary.
Spear of Ulysses by Alessios.
Choral Speaking Arrangements for the Upper Grades by Abney.
Gulf Coast Treasure by Chapman.
The Picture Book of Travel by Hader.
Story Parade by Winston
Sarah Fdith Anderson by Garner.
Story of the Greeks by Guerber.
Little Minister by Barrie.
Saturday's Children by Crewe.
The Book of Insect Oddities by Ditmars.
Lin Foo and Lin Ching by Bowers.
What Happened to Inger Johanne by Zwilgmeyer.
Tales from Shakespeare by Lamb.
Lost Worlds by White.
Let's Make More Things by Zarchy.
Bright Morning by Bianco.
Sky Freighter by Brier.
Tree Toad by Davis.
Boy of Babylon by Gere.
Lost Hole of Bingoola by Harris.
American Twins of the Revolution by Perkins.
Italian Twins by Perkins.
Chinese Twins by Perkins.
Mexican Twins by Perkins.
French Twins by Perkins.
Puritan Twins by Perkins.
Lonesome Ann on the Oregon Trail by Proudfoot.
Tom Sawyer by Clemens.
Huckleberry Finn by Clemens.
Pinocchio by Collodi.
Biography of a Grizzly by Seton.
Pedro by Finck.
He Went with Christopher Columbus by Mott.
Annette and Her Family by Lenth.
Story of Lee Ling by Lattimore.
All Aboard for Alaska by McMurray.
Hari, the Elephant by Mukerji.
Gay-Neck by Mukerji.
Three Plummer Children by Govan.
Wagtail by Gall.
The Land He Loved by Emmett.
Stephen Foster by Wheeler.
Ring of Nibelung by Henderson.
The Great Tradition by Alee.
Sue Barton, Rural Nurse by Boylston.
Thirty Fathoms Deep by Ellsberg.
Christmas in Storyland by Van Buren.
Let's Fly by Vetter.

Several books are replacements for books lost and paid for during the year. Several books have been paid for out of overdues turned in during the months of January and February. Seventy-two of them were bought with funds donated by the local Parent-Teachers Association. During the remainder of the year, there will be no funds for new books other than the pennies from overdues which may amount to the price of several good books by the close of school. 247 new books have been put into circulation since the Christmas holidays. By the end of the year, the goal of 250 books will be reached.


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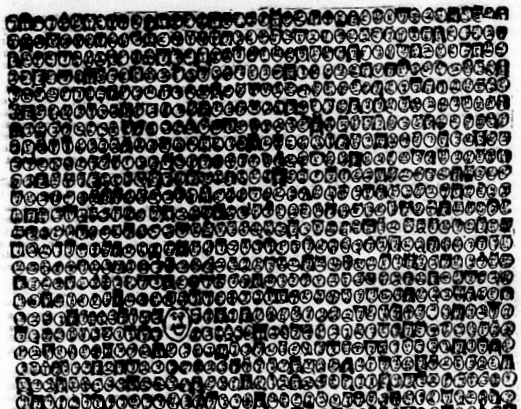
PERSONAL HISTORY . . . .

Florida Cracker, born in Polk County; educated in public schools and Stetson University; Resident of Highlands County 18 years; served as tag inspector under Gov. Holland; saw service in World War 1 in U. S. Navy (convoy duty to France); enlisted and served in Solomon Islands in second World War; was injured by Jap bomb, sent to hospital and discharged; Member American Legion. Ladies and Gentlemen, I need this job. Vote for me and I will thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Frank (Hotshot) Armistead



**Only 1 in 1000 would know!**



**WE WERE going to make a survey. 1000 interviews. Then we had a better idea.**

**"Why bother all these busy people? Probably not more than *one* of them would know the answer, because it's something they take for granted. . . . Let's just print it here and save a lot of time!"**

**So here's the question: "What's the *smallest* item and BIGGEST bargain in most family budgets?"**

**And here's the answer in one word: "Electricity."**

**Look at the last item in these recent cost-of-living figures from the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (reprinted at right). Considering how *many* household jobs electricity does daily, that's a rather startling statistic.**

**Then remember that electricity is *still* sold at low pre-war prices — remember that the average U. S. family gets about *twice* as much electricity for its money as it did 15 years ago — and you'll realize that there's no bigger bargain today!**

**(Of course, if you already knew all this, you're pretty smart. In fact, you're that one in a thousand!)**

**DON'T WASTE ELECTRICITY JUST BECAUSE IT ISN'T RATIONED!**

**WHERE THE WORKERS' MONEY GOES**
(Wartime Cost-of-living Index, wage earners, 56 cities. U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

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| FOOD | 41.5% |
| RENT | 17.3 |
| CLOTHING | 12.1 |
| MISCELLANEOUS | 19.7 |
| FUEL AND ICE | 4.7 |
| HOUSEFURNISHINGS | 3.1 |
| ELECTRICITY | 1.3 |
| TOTAL | 100% |

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# Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

## Sumner Thomas and Barbara Lee Wolfe Are Married

The following announcement has been received by friends of Sumner E. Thomas, Jr., a former instructor at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy:

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Wolfe
announce the marriage of
their daughter
Barbara Lee
to
Sumner E. Thomas, Jr.
Ensign, U. S. N. R.
on Sunday, March the fifth
Kansas City, Kansas

Ensign Thomas and his bride are at home at Ottumwa, Iowa, where he is stationed at the Naval Aviation Occupational Training Base.

## Committees of Student Council Make Reports

The Student Council met Monday, April 10, with Walter Martin, president, presiding.

James Purdue was appointed to plan a program for the dedication of the service flag. Doris Canonn was appointed to see that the stars are arranged and sewed on the flag.

Jack Rogers, chairman of the safety patrol committee, reported his work has been delayed as the street by the school has not been blocked off.

Jimmie Hetherington, chairman of the program committee, reported the school programs for the school term.

Arthur Carratt reported on ground beautification program.

The council voted not to have Field Day this year because of difficulties that have arisen.

## Convenant Circle Has Anniversary Meeting Wednesday

The Covenant Circle of the Union Congregational church met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. E. Maysack, with sixteen members and two visitors present. The occasion marked the 20th anniversary of the organization. Mrs. Jas. Luxton conducted the devotions.

The treasurer, Mrs. Max Wild, reported that she had turned over $15.00 to the church benevolent fund as an Easter offering, leaving a balance on hand of $21.61.

Members were asked to remember Miss Martha Jeuther, who is a patient in a Tampa hospital, and were reminded to send cards to her.

Mrs. E. S. Hedgebeth gave a resume of the history of the Covenant Circle from its beginning as a missionary society, April 5, 1924 at the home of Miss Butler. It was remembered that Mrs. Ola Head was in charge of the work committee, with Mrs. Wild assisting. Mrs. Harry Dilley was elected treasurer, and Mrs. C. S. Donaldson, president. Its first project was the West Tampa mission, which has been started by Mr. Ensininger. In 1923, Miss Mabel Lee started a Bible study class on Monday evenings.

Continuing her resume, Mrs. Hedgebeth stated that a mahogany tree was planted in the church yard in 1934 by the Circle. Mrs. E. L. Thomason lifting the first shovel of earth.

In 1937, Mrs. Donaldson became president for the second time. During that year, Carolyn Wild told about her work as a teacher in Alaska. Mrs. Wild was elected treasurer in 1930, and has continued faithful to the present time.

After adjournment, the hostess served dainty refreshments of cookies and orange juice.

## Easter Party at Ginn Home Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Jr., entertained members of her class, and Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb's class of the Sunday School of the Union Congregational Church at a delightful Easter party at her home Saturday afternoon. The classes were joined in the pleasures of the afternoon, by several invited guests.

Brightly colored eggs were hidden about on the lawn, and the group derived much fun from the merry search for eggs. Later, they were served dainty refreshmnts of cookies and orange juice.

Class members and guests sharing the happiness of the afternoon were Billy Whitcomb, Nancy Cunningham, Harry Hood, Delores Bradley, Neil and Paul McClanahan, Bobby Bradley, Anne Thomason, Nancy May, Wanda Powell, Judy Cunningham, Dickie Hedgebeth, Michael Hetherington, Jay Clark, Stephen Smith, and Nancy Ginn.

Adults present were Mrs. Ginn, Mrs. Whitcomb, Rev. and Mrs. Hedgebeth, Mrs. Richard Smith, Mrs. A. M. Cunningham, and Mrs. Paul McClanahan.

Mrs. Wm. Lohr of Lakeland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Wells.

## Baptist Circle Met Monday at Lawhon Home

Circle one of the Baptist W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. R. H. Lawhon Monday afternoon. Mrs. B. F. Martin, chairman, was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. W. C. Touchton opened the meeting with prayer and Mrs. Otto Skipper taught the lesson from Genesis, Book II. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Touchton, it was announced.

Those present were Mrs. Otto Skipper, Mrs. Anna Lawhon, Mrs. J. D. Sherman, Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mrs. Harold Guerndt, Mrs. Mrs. B. F. Martin, and Mrs. Lawhon.

## Baptist Young People Plan Saturday Services

At the Youth Conference held last week at the First Baptist Church, the young people of the church made plans to hold Inspirational Services at the band stand in the mall each Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Gospel songs will be sung, and Rev. O. E. Burton, pastor of the church, will speak briefly. The service will last about 45 minutes. Following this service, a fellowship hour for all service men and their wives will be held in the Baptist church basement.

## Legion Auxiliary Met Monday For Regular Meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary met Monday evening at the Customer's Room with the president, Mrs. Walter Martin, presiding. Plans of activities of special interests to members were discussed.

Thoe present included Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. Mary Holcomb, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs. Walter Martin, Mrs. Demos Mandis, Mrs. W. H. McCarthy, Mrs. Ed Welch, Mrs. Frank Armistead, and Mrs. W. M. Hetherington.

Hot: "I just received a telegram from my sweetie, but she omitted her name."

Stuff: "What makes you so positive it is her?"

Hot: "There are four "Stops" to the ten words!"

Boss: "I suppose you know when quitting time is?"

Gal: "Yes. When anyone knocks on the door."

## Teachers' Salaries Must Be Raised Col. Bailey Warns

Teachers' salaries should be raised in accordance with the rising cost of living," Col. F. N. K. Bailey, county superintendent of schools told Highlands county teachers recently at their annual meeting in Sebring.

"I am in hopes that salaries can be raised," he said. "However, contracts as tendered to you now should be signed. Should raises be okayed, they will be added."

Some 83 white teachers of the county and other interested persons gathered for the general meeting at 1 o'clock that afternoon. The featured speaker was Dr. Robert McGowan of Florida Southern college, nationally — known educator.

"Lack of discipline is largely to blame for skyrocketing delinquency in this wartime world," Dr. McGowan said. "You teachers can do much of your part in the war time effort if you will be good disciplinarians. But don't make the mistake of trying to discipline students until you have disciplined yourself.

"Discipline is part of the educational process. There are two things that cause juvenile delinquency. They are environment deficiency and organic deficiency. You teachers can do your part in alleviating that environment deficiency by teaching a child discipline along with studies and in the organic deficiency by seeing that he receives proper medical attention. Juvenile delinquency has been attributed to a lack of mental discipline. It may be that the public schools of America may save the world for democracy."

The speaker advised teachers to encourage students having good scholastic ratings to seek higher education.

"If you don't encourage these boys and girls with ability to seek that education, you'll be betraying America," he said. "You can change their interest in getting an education into a necessity for getting an education."

Entertainment at the assembly meeting was in charge of Mrs. Frank Morgan, director of music in the county's elementary schools. Second grade children of Avon Park, directed by Mrs. Georgia Dennison and Miss Alice Adams danced a minuet. Invocation was given by A. B. Wilhite of Avon Park.

Following the assembly meeting, the Parent-Teachers association served punch and cookies.

M. M. Ferguson, supervising principal of Sebring schools, presided at the assembly meeting. Arrangements for the conference in charge of Colonel Bailey and Mrs. Maude Yawn, county supervisor of elementary education.

Group meetings for teachers were held the latter part of the afternoon. Chairmen and co-chairmen for these meetings were Mrs. Charles Shepherd of Avon Park, Mrs. Rena Espenlaub of Venus, Mrs. Mary Steele and Mrs. Ethel M. Seaverns of Lake Placid and Miss Norma Swanson and Mrs. Julia Titus of Sebring.

—Sebring News.

"Gimme a dime for a cup of coffee?" asked the hobo of the plainsclothes man.

"Do you ever work?" countered the copper.

"Now and then."

"What do you do?"

"This and that."

"Where?"

"Oh, here and there."

The plainsclothesman took him to the clink. "Hey, when do I get out of here?" wailed the hobo.

"Sooner or later," growled the desk sergeant.

## Caldwell Says Jobs For Vets First on Program

Millard Caldwell, Candidate for Governor said in a speech in Avon Park Monday that the task of providing jobs for men and women returning from the services and released by war industries is first on his program for Florida.

He said he is delighted with the progress of his campaign in Highlands County before leaving here on a tour which is taking him over the state.

"We must present a solid front in meeting the unemployment problem.

"First, of course, we must help win unconditional surrender of both Germany and Japan. Then we must be prepared to face the future with courage and confidence, with our government in safe hands and with practical plans to meet post-war problems, most acute of which will be the threat of unemployment."

Mr. Caldwell said unemployment can be cushioned by the wise and business-like use of the unemployment compensation fund which has already reached more than $32,000,000, and is still growing. This stop-gap, he said, must be firmly supported by permanent jobs.

"We can provide jobs in several ways — by expanding the State highway system, by public building projects, by encouraging the expansion of private industry and attracting new industries to the State, by broadening old age assistance to permit the aged to retire, leaving more job openings and by stimulating the tourist trade."

Definite proposals for attracting new industries and increasing the tourist trade are in his program, Mr. Caldwell said.

"I would go about this business in the same way that any sensible business man would go about a sales campaign," Mr. Caldwell said. "I would advertise and go after the business.

The former congressman said he would stand squarely behind the citrus, vegetable, livestock, poultry, dairy and general farming industries in their efforts to rid themselves of unfair ceiling prices, ill-fitting regulations, bottlenecks in supplies and equipment, and unnecessarily burdensome forms and reports.

"My policy of the citrus industry," he said "will be to leave, free from interference from me or my office, a non-political citrus commission, representative of all areas and points of view and chosen from and recommended by the industry."

Commenting on the white primary decision of the United States Supreme Court, Mr. Caldwell said he would urge, immediately after the second primary, an aggressive strategy of defense against "This new threat to clean government and to our liberties."

Millard Caldwell was born in Tennessee 47 years ago. He volunteered in the first World War, served two terms in the Florida legislature and four terms in Congress. He retired from Congress of his own free will three years ago and now lives on his farm in Leon County and practices law in nearby Tallahassee. He has a dairy herd, beef cattle and hogs, a pecan grove and feed crops and pastures.

This is his first race for governor and he has never been defeated for public office.

## Mr. Maysack to Instruct Boys in Swimming Course

Swimming instruction will be given to Boy Scouts and any other boys who may be interested by Mr. Maysack, Scoutmaster, at the Municipal Beach, electric power house point on Lake Lotela, on Saturdays 3:00 p. m. Beginning, intermediate and advanced swimming will be taught.

The course will be followed later by an American Red Cross course in Water Safety and Life Saving.

"I shall now illustrate what I have in mind," said the instructor as he erased the blackboard.

### CAPITAL AND LABOR

Claude Jones, candidate for the State Senate has recently issued a folder seting forth his position on the controversial labor question. In his statement he sees some good and bad in both capital and labor, but he makes a balanced statement, and we give it herewith solely on its merit.

Here is what Mr. Jones says:

"I believe that both capital and labor should look upon each other in a fraternal way as the two of them engage in the work of production. Each should have a fair share of the results of the joint effort to produce.

"I am unable to understand why anybody would deny the right of labor to (1) organize for itself, (2) collectively bargain, strive for (a) reasonable hours of service, (b) a reasonable scale of pay according to an American standard, (c) a safe place in which to work and, in short, to do any and all lawful things reasonably calculated to guarantee an American standard of living for the people who labor.

"I am for both labor and capital but I abhor the abuses of both and I refuse to be so blindly partisan with either as to be deprived of my freedom to help or fight for and with the one that is right on any particular issue.

"We do not destroy our churches and our schools when we discover hypocrits and wrong-doers connected with them.

"We are for and we protect these sacred institutions. We clean out the evil and evil-doers. (Christ did not destroy the temple. But He did drive the money-changers out.)

"Likewise, both labor and capital are essential. Let us fight the wrongs and abuses of both for the protection of both and for the public welfare.

"What cow-man kills his cow when he finds screw worms on her? He kills the worms and saves the cow.

"Why not use the same common sense with Capital and labor?"

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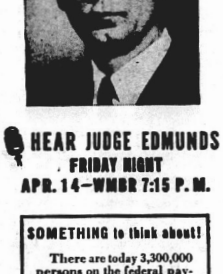
- Life-long resident of Highlands County.
- 20-years a peace officer.
- Three years as deputy sheriff.
- Five years as police in Avon Park.
- 12 years as Constable.
- I feel I am qualified, and if elected will serve the public to the best of my ability, and will have only good, clean, respectable deputies.

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**PROSPERITY** can never be maintained as long as our taxes and the money loaned to the government by patriotic citizens to finance our country to victory is being thrown away in extravagant and wasteful expenditures by a majority of the more than 2,000 federal boards, bureaus and commissions now in existence.

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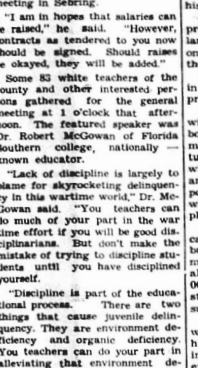
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# BLACK SOMBRERO

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT

WNU SERVICE

Slim Chesfield, Hollywood artist, is disinherited by her Aunt Kitty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Slim flopers and Sherry Madison, detectives, go to Hacienda, Mexico, to solve what they believe to be Kitty Chesfield's murder. On arriving they find that Slim's party had proceeded them by plane. Posing a threat as the agent of Sam Chesfield (Slim's father) James Chesebro is murdered. Later while on a fishing trip by moonlight, Chesfield is playing the Mexicallah Indian his native guitar. While he toppes out, the moolh rushes him and drives him aground through the bushes. Rogers gives a detailed account of the insanity of soon to Lombards, Mexican chief of police.

## CHAPTER XV

"I'm sorry, Senor Lombardo," said Dwight in English. "We are late, for the reason that we searched in vain for George Rumble."

"He won't be hard to find," I suggested. "He probably moved to another hotel."

For a moment no one said anything, then Rogers turned to Lombardo.

"This will interfere somewhat with your plans this evening, senor. But—perhaps we can go ahead with those of us who are here. I'm ready to be the first to put on the hat and walk to the room where Chesebro died."

There was a stir among us and we prepared to take up where we had left off the night Pedro fled.

"Where's the quirt?" inquired Rogers.

"Here," I said, picking it up from the table where it still lay beside Slim's hat. I gave it to Rogers. "And now we need Rumble's black sombrero," I said, "but it's not here."

"Won't another do just as well?" suggested Reed Barton. He and I went out to the rack near the door. There were several hats there; some as large, however, as Rumble's huge black one. We settled upon one of straw. The head size was small, so that it perched on top of Rogers' rather large head as he began a slow, measured stride down the dim passageway to the door of the room, while Pedro from his station and the rest of us at vantage points looked on. Rogers opened the door and disappeared within the room. A moment later he emerged to learn the verdict which Pedro was quick to pronounce.

"No, sir; he is not the one," he said, his teeth chattering.

"Who's next?" inquired Rogers, extending the hat and quirt toward me. "Barry, you play the role next."

I took the hat gingerly and set it on top my head, although it was a better fit for me than it had been for Rogers. I grasped the quirt firmly and with a slight sensation of cold playing down my backbone I began to walk along the passageway.

"Pedro!" exclaimed Lombardo. "Speak!"

My heart sank at the sound of the jefe's voice.

"He is not the man, sir," said Pedro in a voice that was little more than a whisper.

"You are sure!"

"Yes, sir."

With an audible sigh I removed the hat and handed it, together with the quirt to Dwight Nichols.

"You're next, Dwight, old man," I said lightly, although my voice sounded strained and unnatural in my own ears. He took them hesitantly, but before he could put on the hat, Margaret appeared at the end of the passageway. She halted abruptly at sight of us.

"Whatever are you doing!" she called. "Oh—" Her voice betrayed that she understood, and she moved slowly in our direction. "It's Dwight's turn, is it!"

"Yes, dear," Dwight replied soberly, putting on the hat.

The same hush descended upon us. There was the same suppressed breathing as Dwight moved slowly and deliberately past the place where Pedro crouched in his concealment, and on down toward the door.

Slowly he drew near the door; his hand was stretched out to touch the knob. There was a sudden movement in Pedro's place of concealment. Lombardo was alert to it instantly; he made as if to leap upon the man, then said sharply in Spanish, "What is it, Pedro?"

The sound of the jefe's voice startled Dwight. He turned about at the doorway and stood in an attitude of inquiry.

"Senor—" said Pedro hesitantly.

"What is it, Pedro?" demanded Lombardo sharply.

"It is the man, sir."

"This is the man you saw, Pedro?"

Margaret's fingers dug convulsively into the flesh of my arm; she caught her breath sharply.

"Yes, sir; he is the one," said Pedro.

Slim joined us as we entered the living room. No one had spoken in Rumble's presence after Pedro's made his accusation.

"What's happened?" Slim demanded of us.

"That man has been accused falsely of killing Chesebro," I said.

A curious light flashed in Slim's level gray eyes. She appeared not to have understood me. I repeated my statement. Dwight removed the sombrero and dropped it into a chair, the quirt he tossed upon the table.

"The case is simply mistaken, Senor Lombardo," Dwight said, his voice remaining calm despite the strain he obviously was under. "I can understand how I might be thought to be the man you're speaking. It was like this: The night Chesebro was murdered we were all here in this room. We had been talking over the death of Mr. Chesfield's sister in California. Professor Rogers had been conducting a sort of investigation into it."

Lombardo's eyebrows lifted eloquently, and he glanced at Rogers then at Doctor Cruz who were intent upon what Dwight was saying.

"When the gathering broke up to go outside and look on at the dances which were the evening's entertainment, I was, I'm sure, the last to leave this room. The quirt there"—he indicated the whip on the table—"interested me. I stepped to examine the carved knob. Someone entered the room at the far end there." He nodded in that direction. "It was a man—somebody dressed in white, like this man. A servant, I thought; I paid no attention to him. I put the whip down and went out into the hall, thinking to go out by the front door. The rack here with its many hats attracted me."

Dwight paused in his recital; he licked his dry lips and tugged at his collar, which seemed tight about his neck. He went on:

"It's curious the little mental quirks we get. Ever since I first saw Rumble wearing that black felt sombrero I've had a curiosity to put the hat on. A woman could understand that impulse, I suppose. And



Rogers' hand suddenly was flung out to stop me.

so I lifted the thing off the rack and tried it on. It was much lighter than I thought for. I took it off after a moment and put it back on the rack.

"Now, then," I resumed my, "I saw somebody who could easily have been this man, Pedro, while I was examining the quirt in the living room. Whether or not he followed me to the living room door where he could have seen me trying on Rumble's hat, I don't know. I believe that he did. So it is easy to see how the man could have been misled. He is mistaken in his identification."

"Pedro, you have made a mistake," Lombardo said in Spanish, turning belligerently upon the unhappy police seller.

'No, sir; he is the man—"

"We go now," said Lombardo. "My humble apologies, senoras and senores."

Later on that evening Rogers and I stood on the Street of the High Waves near the Belmar Hotel. Reed Barton had stayed behind at the rancho to talk with Elsa. The others had come down town. Margaret and Dwight went out to the yacht saying that the launch would be at the wharf for us whenever we wanted it.

"Let's look about a bit," Rogers said. "If Rumble is in town he'll be loafing on the streets or in the bars. It shouldn't be hard to find him in Mazatlan."

We went once more into the hotel and, not finding him, came out again. We walked to the plaza and around it. The evening throng was beginning to thin out. Nowhere was there any sight of the huge black sombrero or the gaudy clothes he wore.

"He can be around, Slim," I said, "and still elude us. Mazatlan is a fair-sized little city; there must be many places of conceal—"

"Why should he be in hiding?" Rogers demanded.

"I don't mean that he intentionally is avoiding us."

"Yes, I know how you meant it. But he should be hunting us, Barry, indeed. That was a broad intimation he made—that he knew something of interest to me in the death of Kitty Chesfield. If he meant it, this is the time for him to talk; so why isn't he trying to find us to tell what he knows?"

I had no answer for that. Indeed the more we talked the more hopelessly involved we seemed to be. Perhaps while we slept our subconscious monitors could sort over the many conflicting factors. I remarked as much to Rogers.

"Sleep not only knits up the ravell'd sleave of care' but also straightens out many things. It's a fact," he commended. "Suppose we see if the launch still waits for us down at the wharf."

We set out to walk the comparatively short distance down the narrow twisting streets.

Rogers's head suddenly was flung out to stop me. Two figures were filing under a street light a short distance from the end of the wharf; the rays of the light shone down upon a battered guitar which brown fingers were softly strumming.

"Our two matricidals," I said.

They observed our approach and called out to us: "Buenas noches, senores."

Rogers returned their greeting. It was not until then that I realized what had drawn his attention so forcibly to them. We walked up to them and halted. Rogers pointed to the sombrero which Pedro, the larger of the two, was wearing.

"Que es esto?" he asked.

"Es un sombrero, senor," was the reply.

"Yes, I know," Rogers continued in Spanish, "but whose hat is it?"

"It is the hat of the gentleman who wears the fine clothes, senor," was the astonishing reply.

"That's what I thought," said Rogers. "How do you happen to be wearing it tonight?"

"I found it, senor."

"Found it?"

"Oh, yes, senor. Como. I will show you the very spot where I find it this morning."

Wonderingly we fell in behind the two boys who plunged into a dark passageway which, as we walked, I discovered was leading us to the water's edge underneath the wharf. We were stumbling along in the gloom when Rogers let out a tiny pocket flashlight to guide our feet.

"What is it?" asked Pancho, the smaller, when the light cast its feeble rays into the darkness.

"A flashlight, Pancho," replied Rogers.

"I have never seen one so small, senor," the boy replied.

A few steps farther on and we came out upon the damp sand. Here Felipe asserted was the spot where he had found the sombrero—the very spot, right on the sand beside this very piling.

"Was it in the water, Felipe?" inquired Rogers.

"Yes, sir, on the sand. The tide was out."

"Had it been in the water? Was it wet?"

"Yes, sir; I think it had floated on the water and been left by the tide on the sand."

"H-m-m!" Rogers' voice was tense. "I should like to have the sombrero, Felipe, to take with me."

"Yes, sir." The boy took it off and gave it to Rogers.

"I'll give you something." He fumbled in his pocket.

"I want nothing, sir; it is not my hat. It is the hat of your friend who wears the fine clothes. I could not find him today to give it back to him."

We walked back up to the end of the wharf where we parted with the pair. Rogers still fumbled in his pocket. Suddenly he held out the little flashlight.

"Let me give you this," he said. "Now taking care of the hat."

With an exchange of buenas noches we separated, the boys lighting their way up the street with the aid of the newly acquired flashlight, and we walking out upon the deserted wharf to the landing where the launch was waiting for us.

We went silently down to the launch. Arturo, loafing in the cockpit, sprang up to help us.

"Are we the last ones to go aboard tonight, Arturo?" Rogers inquired with an effort at cheerfulness.

"Yes, sir; all are aboard now, except you gentlemen. Mr. Nicholas say wait for you, and I wait." After some moments he stirred the engine into life and then cast off.

We moved slowly at first clear alongside the wharf, pulling away only a little from the darker shadows. As we left the wharf's black edge and emerged into the open illumined somewhat by the lights on the wharf, we, the launch and I, took something in the water and careened slightly.

"What was that!" Rogers demanded.

"It are perhaps a log, sir," replied Arturo nonchalantly. "I hope it is not an alligator, the same being plentiful not far from here."

"It didn't feel like a log to me," Rogers muttered, peering over the side into the gloom. Something in his manner filled me with apprehension. He held up a shadowy hand to the pilot.

"Stop, Arturo; I want to see what that was."

The launch began to lose headway and soon we drifted. "We'll have to back up a few feet," the owner instructed, and we began to move slowly backward.

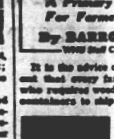
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# Let's Face Facts

*Container Shortage A Primary Headache For Farmer in 1944*

By BARROW LYONS

WNU Staff Correspondent



Barrow Lyons

It is the advice of this correspondent that every farmer and shipper who required wooden or paperboard containers to ship his crop to market make arrangements as soon as he can with used container dealers to supplement his supply of new containers. It would be well to get those used containers into his possession just as soon as possible. This advice is given because the demand for containers, both new and used, is certain to exceed the supply this year. If you do not know the address of a used container dealer, hunt one up in the nearest terminal market, or if you cannot do so yourself, get your commission house to mail you the address of one.

The reason for this caution is the fact that for several years consumption of farm products has exceeded production, and stockpiles in many instances are at an irreducible minimum. Yet military and industrial requirements this year will be at an all-time peak. Lumber has become one of the scarcest commodities in general trade, and it is going to be scarcer.

The War Production board has announced a system for allocating lumber to each type of use according to the importance of that type to the war effort. No doubt adjustments will be made as experience indicates errors that have been made in this allocation.

### *Use Least Committees*

Coordinating with this order, local committees under War Food administration will determine specifically what each shipper will receive within the quotas for packaging of various classes of fruits and vegetables. Quotas of containers for the local committees will be cut down on the basis of a percentage of what the shipper used in the 1943 crop season. Each shipper will be expected to offer proof of the quantity of containers used in 1943.

The general situation was outlined by R. A. Palen, chief of the Containers and Packaging Branch, Office of Materials and Facilities, WFA.

"It is impossible at this moment to know just how short of forest products we shall be," said Mr. Palen, "because it is impossible to calculate exactly what military demands will be.

"We do know that inventories have been practically exhausted. Although we expect to put some additional help in lumbering from war prisoners, this will not compensate for the loss of men drawn into the armed services, and additional numbers that will leave the forests for shipyards and industrial plants.

"There will be no relief from this situation, so far as we can foresee, except when direct war requirements decline, or men return to the woods after their release from the army and navy.

### *Military Needs High*

"So far as machinery goes, tractors and trucks will be required in greater numbers for beaching operations and military transport, and the tires on this heavy equipment are the same as those used on guns and military trucks.

"Packaging of food requirements for the army and navy are way up, and are likely to continue very high. We shall have to move vast quantities of foods off shore for land-lease and other governments. Of course, we must preserve a flow of essential civilian supplies—but the word essential will come to have a new meaning to most of us.

"Restricting the less essential crops that require a large amount of containers, implies getting the maximum use possible from the containers we have. Moreover, the size of containers must be lessened and lighter materials must be used.

"While the demand for pulpwood has mounted enormously, production is not sufficient. The current available for essential uses is far below minimum requirements. Huge quantities of paper are now being used for waterproofing purposes by the army."

The greatest deficiency, Mr. Palen said, would be in hampers and baskets to supply growers in the Middle West, Northeast and Middle Atlantic sections, although severity will be felt in Florida, too, including the Mississippi valley and New England. There will be no more containers than last year, but a considerably larger crop will be harvested.

In one area farmers cooperated with box manufacturers to insure their supply of containers by bringing the lumber into the mills themselves, and then hauling out in the mills by pressing the lumber. It is hoped that in the fall many other sections will adopt this plan.

In the meantime, it will be well for each farmer and shipper to obtain used containers if he can do so. The next best plan is to contract for supplies, not overlooking the used container dealers. If ops cannot be located, write Mr. Palen in Washington.

# Washington Digest

## Difficult Job Confronts New Democratic Leaders

**Chairman Hannegan, Publicist Porter, Hunt Rebuild Party Machine; Answer GOP Attacks on Bureaucracy.**

By BAUKHAGE

*News Analyst and Commentator.*

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

Months one day will cause bustling, ships will sail the most unlikely harbors, and cities will change hands, but politics knows no armistice.

The political forces are already laying down their preliminary barrages.

Two weeks ago, I reported a visit to Republican headquarters up on Connecticut avenue and I attempted to outline the job that Chairman of the Republican National committee, Harrison Spangler, has laid out for himself.

Since then, I have been admitted into the front lines in the Democratic camp and now that I am back safe in Washington I have in mind, I shall attempt to report the strategy that Field Marshal Hannegan's cohorts room to be employing. Democratic Chairman Hannegan is a young man, who has served in the army and worked his way up from ward politics to City Chairman for St. Louis whence he leapt to the national chairmanship.

Just to give you a little of the camouflage in which the Democrats (a GHQ operation, let me say a word about a gathering held recently in the Mayflower Hotel (which also houses the Democratic national headquarters) just a few blocks down Connecticut avenue from the old residence that the GOP has taken over.

This gathering was the occasion of the retirement of Charley Michelson and the succession of his doctrine and method. One publicity man for the Democratic committee by tall and personable Paul Porter, who said he felt as if somebody had put him down in Carnegie Hall, handed him Kriesler's violin, and said: "Now play."

That was a pat remark. We all know Charley Michelson. We all know Porter, who has been around Washington in one important job or another ever since the New Deal began dealing. And we know the typewriter of Charley Michelson is as hard for anyone but its possessor to play upon as Kreisler's dear old violin. However, when I was up at Democratic headquarters a few days later, there was Charley apparently giving such aid and comfort and encouragement as might be expected from the beings.

One thing that makes it hard for the Democrats is that the Republicans are in a position to lift their copyright.

As one Democrat explained it to me, it is like this:

"Nobody will have a chance to do the job that Charley Michelson did for us from 1932 on until the election of FDR. The trouble is the Republicans are in a position to use his theme song adapted, of course, to suit their needs.

"They have already started to do to the administration just what Michelson did to Hoover. They have started to attack the war agencies and all of the administration departments and activities, exposing every blunder, playing up failures and trying to show that everything the people think are burdens and annoyances can be traced directly to the administration.

"And you know," this wise old veteran added, "what you write and say about how bad the other guy is makes a lot better reading than what you say about how good you think YOU are."

That is one obstacle Chairman Hannegan is up against although the real responsibility falls on the shoulders of Michelson's successor, Paul Porter, and they are broad shoulders with a very good newspaper head between them.

But Hannegan has another, bigger problem. It is a job for a master mechanic. It is a repair job on the Democratic machine which is euphemistically designated in the language of party politics as the "organization."

### *Broken Machine*

Hannegan is a young, energetic, open-faced Irishman, and it is a good thing he is young and energetic and optimistic because he has to start his job of organization at scratch. Anyone at Democratic headquarters will admit that.

The reason is revealed in this simple chronology:

Jim Farley took over a pretty well running machine built up by Roosevelt. Farley did a splendid job of keeping it running until 1936. It was then that Roosevelt—Democratic-Republican-Democratic-Republican-President combine that Jim Farley got other ideas—and that two terms was enough for anybody, and did not want a third or the next term. That would be Farley. The machine changed to a one-man dog which, for four years, would only come when its master whistled. Then came Farley. After the historic split in the party except as the states kept their regimentation.

On all Mr. Hannegan has to do is to put it together again if he can find all the parts.

That is the first job as far as the Democratic offensive goes.

As to the defense, they find they already have a pretty clear picture of the attack. There is not so much involved in activities to date.

They point to the campaign that won the Rogers-Eaton election from the Republican stronghold of Denver and the Rogers-Hoffman victory from the first Congressional district of Colorado. The Democratic candidate was a young war hero. His Republican opponent was a business man. He had a very simple line of attack. He condemned bureaucracy, he placed the greatest ills of the community squarely on the head of the administration—gas rationing, for instance.

### *The OPA Fight*

The Democrats say this pattern—condemnation of bureaucracy, administration—has been revealed in congress too. The fight over the OPA is a current example. Minority Leader Joe Martin recently entered the fray and the minority entered to do away with price regulation but that present regulation must be improved. What the Democrats expect is that the Republicans will drag out the hearings as long as possible, parade what they call "a thousand of horrors" before the people, attempting to associate all the inflations, limitations and restrictions which are annoying the public, on the administration.

There are other obstacles which are a product of the time which the Democrats have to meet. They are serious ones, at least.

One is the fourth term, of course. That may partially be offset by the "don't change horses in the middle of a stream" argument which is certain to be addressed to a great number of people who think it might be disastrous to shift leadership, whether you like it or not, while the war is going on.

Another situation which the Democrats face and about which there is little or nothing to do is the great migration of voters who have failed to establish residence in their new homes or who are in the armed forces and will not be able to vote. As one Democrat put it to me: "We know we are going to suffer more than the Republicans from this change of residence business. It isn't the man and woman who lives in a Park Avenue penthouse who moves to San Diego to work in an airplane plant; it is the hill billy and the kid Democratic all his life who moves to a war boom town and forgets to register."

### *Campaign Weapons*

"And," he added, "it is the soldier son of families which have been re-electing Roosevelt who isn't going to get his ballot in from Kwajalein atoll or Middleton-on-sticks, Wangleshire, Hereford, England."

Here are two main duties the Democrats probably will offer the voter:

The first, I have already mentioned. Don't change horses . . .

The second can be encompassed in one word—work! You can call it security, or any other name you like it's the record. But the Democrats count on the fact that the average American fears another depression, or at least temporary unemployment when the boys come home. The argument is, "They (the Democrats) did it before, they can do it again . . . the Republicans brought you panic, the New Deal got you through it."

Circumstances alter the best laid plans of mice, men and national committees, but that seems to be what they are shooting at since Committee returns today.

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

Ohio's six State universities, through their Inter-University Council, have asked the directors of education of Ohio, Kenneth S. Ray, to call a state conference on problems relating to the rehabilitation of returning servicemen.

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U. S. civilian supplies of sugar will be 6 per cent less than 1943 consumption, according to WFA.

Under existing legislation all veterans of World War II who were citizens of Illinois when they entered military service are eligible for the University of Illinois scholarships.

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Berlin radio told Latin American that the German tourist movement of 1944 will be only 6 per cent less than in years before the war.


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Flags Have Two Designs

Among the many flags in the world having a different design on each side are the state emigns of Massachusetts, Oregon and South Dakota.

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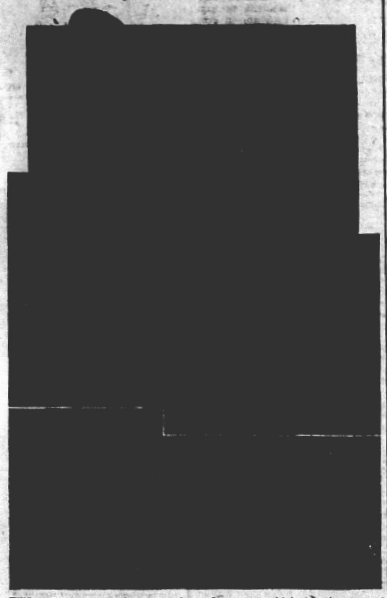
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# Checks Register High Style Throughout the Spring Mode

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



IT'S the bolero suit that is made of an ultra modern black and white check fabric as per the model (right) that seems to the top o' the mode this spring. This important little bolero suit is made of an all wool weave in Stumpf's tooth check. The fact that it is smartly accented with a satin binding adds to its style prestige. The slimming skirt features a kick pleat, back and front. A bolero possesses like this temps its wearer to indulge in any number of frilly white or high color blouses to team up with it this spring.

Practically every woman likes the flattery and the practicability of the lumber-jacket blouse such as styles the two-piece dress shown to the left. Here again we see checks given smart recognition. In that the material used is a navy and white checked crepe. The skirt is one of the very new draw-string types. A dramatic use is made of large mother-of-pearl discs as buttons.

If you are about to invest in a new spring coat you'll be interested in the smart short toppers that are being shown tailored of stylish wool check weave. Black and white check is always good style and those planning new toppers show off at their best made of black with white checks. However, if your fancy runs to the new browns or tangerine shades or the navies, checks in these tones are easily available.

Let no one think that the prevent mania for checks is restricting to dresses and suits and coats. In fact, there is no limitation to the use of checks this spring. Some of the smartest blouses brought out this season are of the long-torso type worn over the skirt, these being fashioned of taffeta patterned in bold checks in various color combinations with emphasis on black and white. The soft bow-tie blouse is also true chic in checks.

Perhaps it is in the accessory realm and in the millinery field of design that checks are demonstrating that everything new has been added in way of hat, bag and shoe note, made of either checked marah or taffeta or gingham, which is accepted as topnotch fashion this spring. During the coming months we will see fetching hats both small of brim (especially the sailors) made of checked gingham, displayed side by side with gingham hats enormous of brim, such as the stunning high-crown model shown to the left in the margin below. This smart summer chapeau is done in brown and white checked gingham. The other two hats are also cunningly contrived of plaid-with-check cottons. A popular use of taffeta checks is also shown in bows and ruffles that animate many of the new basic black or navy gowns for spring wear.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## Yellow Daisy Print



In the new spring color trends considerable stress is being placed on bright yellows, gold tones and especially on the new tangerine shades. In a recent style review in the Merchandise Mart, Chicago, that yellow daisy print was shown that seems to the spring song of fashion in its refreshing flower tones. The styling of the slenderizing skirt with a topping soft carry-me-home front drape is characteristic of the tendency generally adopted in the fashioning of the newest daytime prints. Other distinctive features are the low V-neckline and self-covered buttons.

## Soldier's Bride Wears Pastel Suit This Year

Here is a furlough wedding in a posy-bevelled hat, most likely a pastel suit and a frou-frou dickey in the new pastels to match her hat and gloves or maybe she chooses traditional white. Time was when hope chests gathered linens and lingerie, but the 1944 bride, who has been busy up to the last minute before her wedding, has an "accessory trousseau." One good suit or suit dress, two or three pretty hats (that's the way the men like 'em), a few pair of gloves, white and colored, which can be tubbed and kept immaculate, and an assortment of dickeys and suit collars. The latter pretty much on the lingerie side, confections of sheer and lace, ripping ruffles and new pastel shades or white, of course.

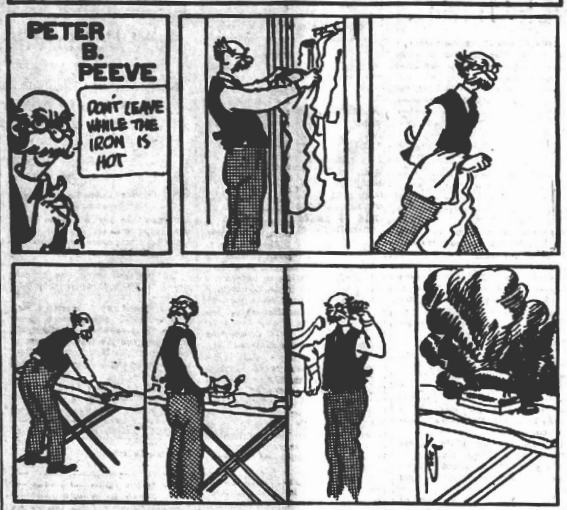
## Headbands, Half-Hats Are Cunningly Crocheted

We are just beginning to discover the charming things that can be done with hand-crochet. For a joyous pastime and a profitable one at that your eyes on the lovely novelties in way of headbands, snoods and other head dress novelties which women adopt with the crochet hook are turning out. Just get a crochet instruction book and follow the directions and you can acquire a wardrobe of pretty accessories for yourself. It's a revelation what can be achieved in way of exceptionally beautiful items. It adds to the lure of the new crochet headbands to crochet a matching drawstring bag.

## Weskits Play Star Role

A gay weskit worn with your suit will bring a dash of "swank" to your costume. These waistcoats, styled after the types men wore in the long ago, look smart made of gingham, hankerng towards or gleaming white satin with rhinestone buttons.

# • OUR COMIC SECTION •










**Typical Girl**

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**Come Again**

Employer—I want a boy to work part time indoors and part time out.

Boy—Yes, sir, but what happens when the door slams shut?

**Rationed Traffic**

Driving Inspector — Now, lady, what is the white line in the middle of the road for?

New Driver—For bicycles?

**Save Gas!**

Jones—What's the hardest thing about learning to ride a bike?

Smith—The pavement!

**Head of the Class**

Teacher—What does "straight" mean, Jimmy?

Jim—No soda!

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Jimmy—Well, Dad, I answered a question in class today.

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Jimmy—Present!

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Jerry—It was different with me. I found myself famous and then I woke up!

**Put Up in Glass**

Waiter—These are the best eggs we've had for years.

Diner—If you don't mind, I'd rather have some you haven't had so long.

**Start Running Yourself!**

Hubby—I had an odd dream last night, my dear. I thought I saw another man running off with you.

Wifey—What did you say to him?

Hubby—I asked him why he was running!

**Hard to Do**

Rastus—Whatsall am wrong wi yo' new shoes?

Sambo—Dey's jus' so tight, Ah' have to wear 'em a couple o' doss times before Ah'll be able to get 'em on.

**End of August**

I had a little dog. I called his August. August was fond of jumping at conclusions. One day he jumped at a mule's conclusion.

The next day was the first of September!

**The Whole Truth**

Harry—Do you know the only time a fisherman tells the truth?

Jerry—Alright, I'm listening.

Harry—When he tells another fisherman he's a liar!

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# $5036.88 Raised for Red Cross Drive by Avon Field

(From HIGH SCORE)

**Surpassing last week's semi-final tabulation figures on APAAF's Red Cross Drive, it was announced yesterday by Major C. W. Roberts, executive chairman of the campaign, that $5036.88 has been contributed by personnel here and turned over to the National Red Cross treasury.**

A last minute contribution of $200.50 by the newly arrived outfit, 1309th Aviation Engineer Battalion, pushed the total amount above the five thousand dollar mark which was two thousand dollars in excess of the set goal of $3000.

## *Mrs. Anna V. Klase Died Saturday at Age of 92*

Avon Park and Highlands County lost one of its oldest and pioneer citizens Saturday, April 8, when death called Mrs. Annie V. Klase in her 92nd year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wetherbee on Lake Anoka.

Mrs. Klase, widow of the late Jacob S. Klase, who preceded her in death at their home on Lake Brentwood in October, 1927, was the daughter of Evelyn Scott and Riddle Patterson of Lewiston, Pennsylvania. She was born in Lewiston, November 21, 1852 and lived there with her parents until her marriage to Jacob S. Klase. Then with her husband she made her home in Washington, D. C., until 1914, when with her family she came to Avon Park to occupy the home on Lake Brentwood.

The Klase family, including the two daughters Jessie (Mrs. Herbert Hardesty) and Beulah (the late Mrs. A. J. Marsh) were prominent in the social, cultural, and religious life of Avon Park in those pioneer days and made many friends who often called upon Mrs. Klase in recent years.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Klase spent several years at the home of her daughter Mrs. Hardesty at Silver Springs, Maryland and Washington, D. C., but later returned to Avon Park and spent the past two years of her life at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wetherbee. Despite her approach to her 92nd birthday she was alert and active until the day she was stricken in her last illness, enjoying the radio, visits from friends, and talks about current events and especially the political situation and war in which she was deeply interested. Shortly before her illness she welcomed her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hardesty from Washington who came to make a long visit with her.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Hardesty, Washington, D. C.; two granddaughters, Mrs. Nina Kinney of Orlando and Miss Martha Marsh of Washington, D. C.; a granddaughter, Miss June Taylor of Orlando, and a great grandson, Frederick M. Taylor, an Ensign in the U. S. Navy, now on active duty in the war zone.

After a brief service, impressive in its simple, Christian dignity, conducted by Miss Elizabeth Ewing of the Christian Science Church, at Stephenson Chapel on Lake Verona, cremation took place at Orlando. Later her ashes will be laid to rest beside her late husband in the family ground at Washington, D. C.

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## *Nephew of Rev. Wade Smith Cited for Bravery*

Major Robert H. Armstrong, 26, of Birmingham, Ala., nephew of Rev. Wade C. Smith of this city, has been awarded the Silver Star medal for gallantry during the battle of Five Forks, on Bougainville, Nov. 24, 1943. He is the son of Mrs. C. S. Armstrong of Birmingham, who visited her brother, Rev. Smith and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Smith here recently.

Major Armstrong, executive officer of an artillery unit during the campaign, served as liaison officer at the front lines during the heaviest bombardment of Empress Augusta Bay. The citation which accompanied the award, was signed by Adm. William F. Halsey.

# Wales Citrus Firm Seeks APAAF Sojers To Pack Fresh Fruit

(From HIGH SCORE)

Still another Lake Wales packing house this week announced that it is seeking enlisted men of APAAF to pack oranges and grapefruit.

The firm, Lake Wales Citrus Growers Association, has completely exhausted the supply of labor within Lake Wales area, and, to finish packing operations on a large volume of citrus fruits, will hire 20 to 25 men daily.

In operation six days a week, plant managers desire men on pass or furlough to work a full day, starting at 0600 and leaving work at 1800. Wages paid range from 55 to 70 cents per hour. There is no Sunday or night work at the plant. The plant will not engage men who do not show a 24-hour (overnight) pass or furlough as it is not desired that work be performed after hours in addition to normal duty assignment.

Located within Lake Wales city limits (near Florida Citrus Canners Cooperative which has also been hiring GI's) the packing house is within walking distance of the Lake Wales City Bus station.

Plant officials announced transportation costs from APAAF to the premises and return will be paid by the Association. Men wishing to work at the plant may report direct to the general offices there.

# Story of How Flying Schools Started Is Told

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ance themselves, he stressed. They had to do it with their own credit and trust to him. "I have no money to give you," he said. "My job is to raise money in Congress, but I can promise you nothing. Are you with me?" They were. They trusted Hap Arnold and they knew the nation moved toward crisis. They had just six weeks to do the job so they flew home, rushed building—a hangar here, a mess hall there. They acted solely on Arnold's verbal request. They started out without a contract, memorandum or letter of intent. It was a financial arrangement so indefinite, no banker would touch the deal.

To do the job the operators spent their own money. When the matter of authority came up later it passed Congress by just two votes majority! But training started July 1 with first classes about 40 men to a school. Sleeping predicted students would "die like flies" if trained by barnstormers. Although a large part of the instructors were World War I pilots, men over 35 or younger men 4F for combat, the prediction was not realized.

Late in Spring 1940, General Arnold again called the operators in. He painted a bleak picture. Observers were sure France would fall. Many doubted England could hold out. "We've got to work now like we've never worked before," he told them. "Go out and build schools that will accommodate not 40 but 300 or more to a class. You have just 40 days to build your entire plant and get going." The operators flew home, built schools costing from $300,000 to $500,000 on sites approved by the War Department. Albert Lodwick, attended this meeting and in six weeks time had the Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, Avon Park, ready to receive cadets. To do it some had to mortgage their entire personal property. Some found partners willing to risk funds. All went in hock to take on contracts that could be cancelled in one day. Had Hitler quit after France fell and the war had ended, they all would have been ruined. Ordinary industry which had existing plants often waited for contracts or letters of intent. Not so these World War I pilots and barnstormers. Had they been less tough minded about the job or faltered over the risk, a mass American Air Force would have been delayed. It could have meant the difference between defeat and victory.

But fortune favored the bold. Now it is officially reported that military personnel in the Army Air Forces, which numbered only 21,534 in 1939, have reached the amazing total of 2,385,000 and the outline of the over-all picture is taking shape. General Arnold tells something of the problems and achievements in his new report. "The overall program of the Army Air Forces was designed on the basis of a plan to give us overwhelming air superiority over our enemies in the shortest possible time. There was no question whether the training program could be carried out; the Army Air Forces HAD to become the largest single education organization in existence in a very short time. Facilities were secured, teachers were hired and textbooks were written while the first classes were being held."

General Arnold discloses the urgency of the need for such a great undertaking in 1939 in another section of his report. "To provide airmen to fly the planes then being built," he wrote, "it was necessary to expand Army Air Force training facilities at once. The Army Air Forces did not have sufficient instructors to train 2400 pilots a year. To build another Randolph Field to handle 500 pilots a year would take five years. The idea was criticized as being against precedent, but heads of civilian flying schools were called in by the Army Air Forces. They were to get ready to train huge classes in Primary flight. The Army Air Force could offer them no contracts at the time to justify complete change-overs of their programs, but flying schools immediately prepared to help handle the pilots. The figure was raised to 12,000 pilots a year, and later to 30,000. We could not possibly have trained so many airmen quickly without these schools. Today our pilot training rate has left these earlier goals far behind."

Just how many pilots are coming out of this typically American partnership of inspired military leadership and American initiative is naturally a military secret, but General Arnold has reported that the War Production Board has scheduled 145,000 planes for completion in the next 15 months. Many of these are large planes requiring a skilled pilot, co-pilot, plus crew of six or seven or more. It is known that more than 100,000 young Americans have been taught to fly since schools included in Aeronautical Training Society started to train cadets.

Of safety, General Arnold reports "Basically, the accident record is good. Ninety-five out of every 100 Army Air Force pilots in training can be expected to fly through the next 12 months without a scratch." In fact "most recent army statistics indicate that the fatal accident rate is only one for every 43,478 hours of primary flight. On the basis of 100 miles per hour that is only one per 4,347,800 miles! The record for basic and advanced training likewise is remarkably safe. As a matter of fact, one large A. T. S. school doing primary flight training, has flown over 385,000 hours without a single fatality.

All of this translated means that average American boys fresh from the farm and the campus are learning to fly and fly safely.

It means, speaking the entire A. T. S. primary program, that typical American boys could fly primary trainers around the world at the equator 174 times with only one fatal accident. Translated another way, it means a flight across the United States from New York to Los Angeles daily for four years with only one fatal accident.

Some unofficial observers have estimated that Hap Arnold's daring leadership in planning a safe, efficient training program has paid off to the tune of 100,000 soldiers saved for combat, who otherwise might have died with some phase of flight training in remote Southern air fields. The Taxpayers will be glad to know that the money saving certainly exceeds $200,000,000 a year by a wide margin.

Recently some of the old-timers who threw their lot in with Arnold at the start, recalled that one mighty timorous soul questioned Arnold back at the start about what would happen if the bold project failed.

"If it don't go over," he said, "I'll be worn out these fifty schools, eh. But so long as I'm here, we are going to do what needs to be done." Now that the whole story is coming out, it's pretty unanimous that Hap Arnold was right.

## *Col. Lee Opens Campaign at Venus Among Home Folks*

Venus, April 8 — (Special) — To the approving plaudits of his Highlands county neighbors, State Comptroller J. M. Lee this afternoon launched his 1944 campaign for renomination with a report on the progress Florida has made in climbing out of the financial quagmire since this middle southern Florida county sent him to Tallahassee in 1933 pledging to make everyone pay taxes alike.

While the quadrennial Venus picnic audience reminisced of the days when he chained a railroad train to the track, to collect delinquent taxes due this county at a time when its schools were faced with closing, the comptroller briefly recounted the story of the rocky road travelled the past eleven years during which time nearly $10,000,000 of delinquent disputed and fiercely contested taxes — some of it overdue as much as fifteen years — has been wrested from unwilling taxpayers to the end that the burden might be lightened on those willing taxpayers who have so long sought the result...

"And now," Comptroller Lee told his audience "after many prolonged legal battles to bring recalcitrant taxpayers into the state and the counties stand in the strongest financial position in history with more than $4,000,000 cash in the general fund of the state March 31, $20,000,000 in the various sinkingfunds and trust funds in the state treasury, with two of the counties on a current pay-as-you-go basis for the first time since the boom; school teachers paid in full to date and thousands of old debts, deposited children and the blind receiving the care of the state increased about eleven thousand. Meanwhile the state is taking cash discounts on every bill as they are being paid on presentation.

"Millions of dollars, pulled out of the 'mirage pile' — overdue, old, delinquent and disputed taxes — have largely made the record possible; I want to pay tribute to the willingness of every-day taxpayers who walk down to the tax collector regularly to pay their taxes, steadfastly providing day-by-day stamina of government. Truly they are patriots on the home front comparable to those who have gone from every government our sons are fighting for."

## — PRISON CAMP —

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here. Employers pay the government the regular scale of pay that is paid free labor. The prisoners are allowed 80 cents a day of the wages earned. The government gets the balance, which goes toward expense of feeding and housing the prisoners. There is a camp at Winter Haven with 200 German prisoners. Lake Wales is also asking for one.

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KENNETH ALBERT SWICK

Kenneth Albert Swick, instructor at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, 41st Army Air Forces Flying Training Detachment, Avon Park, Fla., is a boy from New Boston, Mich., who has logged up close to 1000 hours of flying time since he took to the air as a full time job, including the several months he has been at Lodwick.

Swick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin A. Swick, New Boston residents, was an electrician by trade before he became a flying instructor. He is married to the former Miss Fay Helen Horn, of Belleville, Mich., and is the father of two young sons. He received his training at McEnnas Airport, Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Swick, together with other Lodwick flight instructors, turns out from 20 to 25 pilots a year. He has instructed cadets from all over the country.

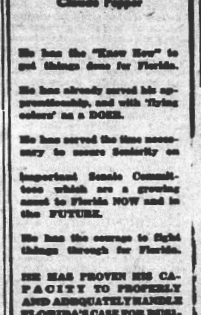
"The aviation cadets we receive here for training," Swick says, "are a splendid bunch of boys and are eager to learn how to fly. Most of them have never been in an airplane before they come to us and when they leave they have had from 60 to 65 hours of training in Stearman trainers. They go on to basic and advanced training after leaving Lodwick, when they finally receive their commissions and wings they are fit and ready to give good account of themselves, whether as pursuit or bomber pilots."

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## OUR MEN

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to Colorado and became an aerial observer for the artillery firing of that. I decided to learn to fly one of these popular artillery observation planes known as the "Grasshopper."

I've now soloed and have 50 hours to my credit. Already I completed the course within the short time and a half weeks it the was. The continues to be good. These little ships are certainly "the eyes of the artillery." I can hardly wait to fire my first problem from the air. It is much easier to get an adjustment than firing from the ground. If you remember your artillery, we always try to get a "over" and "short" on the target then we have a bracket.

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Any success you can plan for in upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

Sgt. William R. Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Burton Hall, received the Distinguished Flying Medal recently, when his 15th AAF B-24 Liberator Squadron was cited for its part in the Ploesti raid on August 1 last year. Sgt. Hall is now stationed, never cited in a B-24 Liberator squadron. He enlisted in the armed forces November 30, 1941.

Word has been received from Sgt. Jean Hill, radio operator with an infantry unit in England, and his twin brother, Pfc. Jack Hill, paratrooper, also in England, that they hope to get together some day soon. Pfc. Hill, in a letter this week to his grandmother, Mrs. J. E. Hill, Sebring, says, "Tell everyone hello for me. I'll bet it's good swimming weather there now." Both boys attended Avon Park high school before enlisting.

Jack Collins, Avon Park high graduate, is now in Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., where he is attending a non-commissioned officers' school.

Lem Simmons, pharmacist mate, 2-c, U. S. Navy, who has been on sea duty in the southwest Pacific for the past three months, is now back in California, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Simmons.

Burl G. Cook, cook gunners mate 3-c, U. S. N., formerly of Avon Park, has returned to New York after spending a 10-day hospital leave with his mother, Mrs. J. H. Simmons in Sebring. Word has been received from his brother, Milton J. Cook, also in the navy that he has returned to a U. S. port from sea duty.

Ensign Jack Booker of the naval air base in Jacksonville is spending his leave here with his mother, Mrs. Mabel Booker.

Aviation Cadet John Warren McFarland, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland of Bradenton, formerly of Avon Park, has been graduated from the Navy Flight Preparatory School at the University of South Carolina, and has entered the next phase of his training at the CAA-WTS School at API, Auburn, Ala. "At Auburn, A-C McFarland will make his first solo flight and he will also receive his wings of gold as an ensign in the U. S. Navy Reserve, or a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve." Cadet McFarland is a graduate of Avon Park high school.

Lt. Tillman Crosby, who has Mr. B. T. Crosby for a 15 day leave, returned the first of the week to Dale Mabry Field in Tallahassee, where he is stationed. He visited Lt. Wyman Carver at Plant Park, Tampa last week end, been visiting his parents, Mr. and

### PROMOTED TO MAJOR

Mrs. W. M. Hetherington is in receipt of word from her nephew, Clarion A. McIntosh, Jr., of Dade City, that he received his promotion to the rank of major on April 4. Major McIntosh, who has been overseas nearly two years in the European theatre of operations and has been assistant headquarters commandant since leaving the states, was appointed commandant a few months ago. He has been in service more than three years, having been called to duty from the Officers' Reserve Corps on March 13, 1941. His mother, Mrs. Catherine McIntosh of Dade City is Mrs. Hetherington's sister.

# County Agrees To Lease Prison Farm To U. S.

### *Would Be Used To House War Prison Labor*

The board of county commissioners, at their meeting Tuesday, agreed to lease to the U. S. government, in the Highlands county prison camp to be used as a war prisoner labor camp for a period of one year.

The action was brought about by the request to the government of representatives, of all packing houses in the county, to establish a war prison camp here to relieve the acute labor shortage in the citrus industry.

J. Paul Garber, secretary of Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, was named chairman of a committee to represent the group in appealing to the government for the labor camp.

The board informed Mr. Garber that under the terms of the lease, the county would give 90 days notice to the lessee, if they wanted to terminate the lease in order that th lessee may remove any growing crop. This notice has been given, the board said, and they stated that while the lease expires on May 4, 1944, it may be possible that the lessee would give up the camp at the expiration of his lease, or shortly thereafter, if the government would want this camp before the 90 days are up. The prison camp is at present leased by Duncan Palmer.

A meeting of representatives of all civic organizations in the city to sound out public opinion was called for Monday night, but was cancelled, pending the outcome of the request to secure the prisoners in this county.

The following packing houses are represented in the appeal to secure this labor to relieve to a certain extent the shortage of help, equally notable in the citrus industry:

Avon Florida Citrus Corporation, Roscoe Skipper packing house, Avon Park Citrus Growers Association, Lake Byrd Packing Company, Sebring Packing Company, all of Avon Park, Sebring Packing Company and Gregg Maxcy, Inc., Sebring, and Lake Placid Land Company, Lake Placid.

## *Junior-Senior Banquet April 28 at Pine Crest Club*

Invitations have been issued to the Junior-Senior banquet to be held at Pine Crest Lakes Club Friday evening, April 28 at 8:00 o'clock. This annual affair is one of the social events of the high school group in connection with commencement activities.

### MR DEMEREE'S MOTHER DIES

M. R. Demeree returned home Saturday morning from a Pueblo, Colorado, where he was called last week by the illness and death of his mother, Mrs. Edith Talmadge, aged 62.

# Negro Woman Arrested Result Quarters Fire

Pearl Chandler, employee of a colored laundry, has been arrested by Deputy Sheriff Skinner of Sebring, and lodged in the county jail, as a suspect in connection with the $15,000 fire that destroyed 11 structures in the negro quarters last Friday afternoon. She is being held without bail.

The arrest was said to have been based on charges that Pearl Chandler and Herman Adams, owner of the property where the fire originated, were on the outs, and were said to have had an argument the night before the fires burned him out.

E. S. Davies of Tampa, special investigator was here this week working on the case, and is expected back in a few days for further investigation.

Fire Chief Wilbur Giddens said he "felt sure the fire was of incendiary origin, but so far he did not have sufficient evidence to make an arrest."

## *Howard Livingston Speaks at WCTU Meeting Thursday*

The local WCTU met April 13 in the Church of the Nazarene, with Mrs. W. D. Croft, president, presiding. After a short business meeting, Rev. Croft opened the program with the devotional.

The president introduced the speaker of the evening, Howard Livingston of Sebring, state legislator. Mr. Livingston gave an informative talk on the subject of temperance, quoting vital statistics to prove the devastation of the liquor traffic.

In closing his very interesting talk, Mr. Livingston said, "The complete program of the fight against beverage alcohol must include the liberation of the individual from the habit—the freedom of the state and nation from the grip of the traffic and the release of the social order and politics from the burden of alcohol."

A general discussion led by Dr. S. H. Wiseheart, Rev. W. D. Croft, and others, followed the address of the evening.

## *Rev. Burton Has Resigned as Pastor Baptist Church*

Rev. O. E. Burton, who has tendered his resignation, as pastor of the First Baptist Church, will leave May 29 for Fort Worth, where he will attend Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary for a period of three years, to attain his degree of T.H.M. Rev. Burton has served the church as minister for the past year, during which time notable progress has been made in all departments.

### FACULTY ATTEND FEA

A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal of the Avon Park schools, and Mrs. E. A. Shearer, Miss Margaret Woodall, and Mrs. Georgia Dinnison, members of the faculty, were in Daytona Beach Thursday and Friday, attending the annual meeting of the Florida Educational Association.



SUN-KIST AND CREW—In the Carter Provisional Group, "The crew most likely to live," based on competitive proficiency in flying, ground and military training for the week ending April 15, is crew number 5, Lt Harry Gault, Pilot. The Crew, front row L-R—Sgt Homer Laymon, Ball Turret; Sgt Robert McCalla, L. Waist Gunner; Sgt Harold Dunn, R. Waist Gunner; Sgt Jesse Yates, Tail Gunner; S-Sgt Harry Joggers, Top Turret and S-Sgt Charles Howell, Radio. Back row, L-R— Lt Larry Gault, Pilot; Lt Charlie Counties, Co-Pilot; Lt Marvin Berger, Navigator; Lt Andy Moses, Bombardier. 58th Group Photo.

(From HIGH SCORE)

# C. H. Walker Endorses Senator Pepper for His Outstanding Assistance to Citrus Industry



C. H. WALKER



SENATOR CLAUDE PEPPER

When Charlie Walker speaks on things pertaining to citrus, the whole state listens. As head of the Florida Citrus Exchange and one of the state's largest growers, he knows his oranges. His endorsement, therefore of Senator Pepper's candidacy for re-election, primarily because of Pepper's outstanding work in behalf of the citrus industry, adds a new note to the Senatorial campaign.

Walker's endorsement, far from being of the usual stereotyped form, goes straight to the heart of the argument and shows specific reasons why people in the Citrus Belt should vote to return Senator Pepper to the Senate. Walker believes Pepper is the best qualified man to represent Florida, and urges the people of the state to support him on his merits.

His statement:

I have been asked for my reasons for supporting Claude Pepper in his candidacy for re-election as United States Senator. These are my personal views:

Ordinarily I do not take an active part in political campaigns, but I am in this one because I believe the services of Senator Pepper in Washington are of paramount importance to all Florida citrus growers. I would be derelict if I did not tell growers what he has done for them.

I am supporting Senator Pepper solely on the basis of his record of service to the citrus industry. He has served the industry well—better than many growers and shippers realize—and with the knowledge and the experience he has gained I consider him to be the best qualified man to continue to represent the state, and this industry, in the United States Senate.

Claude Pepper is aggressive, intelligent and honest. His progressiveness and forcefulness have won him national recognition as one of our most outstanding Senators. He enjoys the respect of everyone in Washington, and he gets things done. The citrus industry has repeatedly called upon him for help the last few years and, no matter how difficult the problem, he has never failed to get anything to which this industry was entitled.

As you know, the citrus producing states of Florida, Texas, California and Arizona have worked together during the past two years in handling industry problems in Washington. They have had the cooperation of the congressional delegations of all four states, but these delegations chose Senator Pepper as their chairman in citrus matters and it has been Senator Pepper who has led the fights for fair citrus ceiling prices, containers, tinplate, transportation and many other things.

Here, briefly, are just a few of the things which Senator Pepper has done for Florida citrus growers:

1. When different regulations were inaugurated we had exemptions for citrus packing houses for only fourteen weeks and after various efforts with the departments we were unable to get additional exemptions for packing houses. I went to Washington with others and solicited the help of Senator Pepper who gave this matter his personal and active attention and got for us an additional fourteen weeks exemption for packing houses which we were unable to get otherwise.

2. In 1942, after we entered the war, there was some question about the essentiality of citrus fruits and the amounts which would be purchased by the government. The Florida Citrus Commission sent a committee to Washington, including Governor Holland, Thos. D. Swann and others. The entire Florida delegation assisted the committee, but it was Senator Pepper who helped most in getting the government to recognize citrus fruits as essential foods. This got us containers, tinplate and fertilizers. The government also started buying citrus fruits then and prices improved almost overnight.

3. In April 1943 OPA established maximum prices for canned fruits and vegetables at prices prevailing months earlier. The regulation reduced the inventory value of canned citrus stocks about $1,500,000. Most of these stocks were held by cooperative canning plants, which meant reduced returns for their growers. Senator Pepper vigorously protested the application of this order to canned citrus products and was successful in getting OPA to permit the sale of these products on the basis of current fruit prices. Other food industries similarly affected by the order got no relief.

4. In November 1942 the WPB containers division prepared an order which would have restricted the use of wood containers for citrus fruits beginning January 1, 1943, and prohibited the use of wood containers for citrus after April 1, 1943. The citrus states sent delegations to Washington to oppose such an order. I was a member of the Florida committee. The situation was the most serious faced by the industry since the war started. The citrus delegations turned to Senator Pepper for his help, and it was only with the help of Senator Pepper and his former able secretary, Pierce Wood, that the proposed order was abandoned by WPB and the industry permitted to continue to use wood containers.

5. From September through November 1943 Senator Pepper devoted much of his time to helping this inudustry get new price ceilings. No one ever fought Washington bureaucrats harder or more effectively than did Senator Pepper in this matter. When Stabilization Director Fred Vinson, the OPA and Commodity Credit Corporation wanted the government to buy all citrus crops and direct their sale and distribution at its own prices, it was Senator Pepper who stopped them. It was Senator Pepper who finally persuaded Judge Vinson to direct OPA to issue new citrus price ceilings, based on parity prices. OPA strenuously opposed this and it was the first and only time that Judge Vinson over-ruled OPA in such a matter. As a result of Senator Pepper's work, Florida growers have "on tree" ceiling prices today of $1.38 for cannery grapefruit and $2.10 for cannery oranges, with higher ceilings for fresh fruit. If it had not been for Senator Pepper I am convinced we would still have the old ceiling prices of 78 cents for cannery grapefruit and $1.36 for cannery oranges.

Senator Pepper has rendered many other services to the citrus fruit industry, whenever there have been special problems meriting his attention. His many activities in behalf of this industry have given him an intimate knowledge of its practices and problems that enable him to serve the industry quickly and effectively, whenever new problems arise.

These are the reasons why I believe it to be the best interests of all growers, shippers and canners of citrus fruits to keep Claude Pepper in the United States Senate. We face uncertain conditions in the years ahead. We face times when we will need a man in Washington like Senator Pepper, who has proved that he can get things done for this industry.

Yours very truly,

C. H. WALKER

# Last Political Rally Held At Angelo Saturday

The third and last political rally to be held in Highlands county, will get underway about 10 o'cock Saturday morning on the shores of Lake Angelo between Avon Park and Sebring. The County Democratic committee will provide 1000 pounds of fish, pickles, bread and coffee for the picnic, with plenty for the big crowd it is anticipated will attend.

All county candidates for office will be on hand to speak and several of the state candidates will have representatives here.

Raymond Sheldon, candidate for governor will speak in person. Other gubernatorial candidates will be represented.

Mabry Carlton of Wauchula, tax assessor and prominent in civic and political circles of Hardee county, will speak in behalf of Millard Caldwell.

W. C. Brooker, of Tampa, former Department Commander of the Last Ditch Legion, will represent Ernest R. Graham of Miami.

Everyone is invited.

## *Fifteen Men to Report for Army Induction April 23*

Fourteen white men will leave Sebring Sunday for Ft. McPherson, Ga., where they will be inducted into the army.

The following will leave: Alva Collins and Myles Collier of Sebring; Oliver B. Hood, James Everett Martin, Grady Lee Campbell, James Ellis Elder and Robert Sylvester Massey of Avon Park; Denver Wesley Albritton, of DeSoto City; Walter Collier of Lake Placid; Billy Driggers of Lorida; Albert Martin Brinkley of Stuart; Martin C. Garrick of Millville; John Daniel Bush of Graceville, and Clyde D. Perdue of Atmore, Ga. James S. Jowers, who has transferred from Clewiston, will also leave from Sebring.

The following 12 colored men will be sent to Camp Blanding Friday for a pre-induction physical examination.

Wesley James Chestnut and Ernest Lewter of Sebring; Lucius Strong and Eddie Evan of Avon Park; Clyde Johnson, Junior Shaw, Willie Evans and Ira Melton Jones of Lake Placid; David Simmons of Lorida; Luchies Little of Venus and Dan Harris Jr., of Palatka. Oswill Reson of Ocala and Ollie Berry of Jackson, Miss., have been transferred to Avon Park and Phillip Collier of Sumnerville, S. C., transferred to Lake Placid.

## *Mrs. Davis To Be President of PTA*

Mrs. Chas. Davis was elected president of the Parent Teachers' Association for the ensuing year, at the regular meeting held Thursday afternoon in the auditorium.

Mrs. Johnson was elected vice president; Mrs. Harold Guerndt, secretary; Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, treasurer, and Mrs. T. H. Maxwell, historian.

Members of the nominating committee submitting the report were Mrs. Devon Reddick, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, and Mrs. H. E. Keiler.

A feature of the afternoon's program was the style show presented by the Home Economics department under the direction of their instructor, Miss Leonora Driggers. The show was given under the captain, "Cinderellas' Dream" and many delightful and clever fashions were reviewed by the audience.

The program opened with the group singing of "Alice Blue Gown," led by Miss Alma Ha rell, and was in keeping with the chosen theme of the style show. Rev. W. D. Croft, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene led the devotional.

In the business meeting, reports of standing committeees were heard, and the president, H. J. Mummau reminded all officers and chairmen to submit written reports at the May meeting.

Mr. Mummau also requested those having PTA books to please bring them to the next meeting. He also asked for the donation of a secretary or desk, in which these books and other articles belonging to the organization may be kept.

In the room count, prizes were awarded to Miss Alice Adams' second grade for the elementary school, and to Miss Barbara Belt's high school room.

Mrs. C. H. Shepherd announced that the 100 children in the first grade, the largest number in the history of the school would present a program at the May meeting, under the direction of the three teachers, Mrs. Shepherd, Mrs. C. E. Myers, and Miss Margaret Woodall.

# Housing Site East of Sunset Lodge Favored

### *Type Buildings Similar to Woodruff Heights*

The ten acres just back of Sunset Lodge will probably be chosen as the site for the new housing project to be established in Avon Park, according to C. E. Lanier, president of the chamber of commerce, who said today this location seemed most suitable of the three offered.

Mr. Kline, representing John P. Broome, regional director of the Federal Public Housing Agency in Atlanta, was here this week, and with a committee from the chamber of commerce, went into all angles of the situation.

The other two sites considered were the 10 acres adjacent to the football park and the 10 acres on the road to the Avon Park Army Air Field, south of Mrs. C. O. Bryant's home.

The acreage near Sunset Lodge is apparently the most suitable place, Mr. Lanier said, as it is the most accessable to the bus line to the air field, and city sewage can be extended without much additional cost. The original idea was to build the project near Woodruff Heights, but the space suitable for city sewage could not be obtained.

The engineers will be here early in the week to go into th final phase of the case. The type of buildings will be similar to those in Woodruff Heights, though they will not be dormitory type; there will not be as many dwelling units in one building, and they will be spaced differently. There will probably be 16 or more individual buildings, Mr. Lanier stated, which will have four to six individual dwelling units each. In addition, there will be a centrally located community building.

The plans call for heating and cooking with kerosene, rather than with coal as is employed in the completed housing project.

The government will have the grounds surrounding the buildings sodded with grass to make splendid lawns, Mr. Lanier said and he hoped when the buildings were completed, that some civic organization in the city, would assume the landscaping of the grounds and planting of shrubbery and flowers, as a definite project.

The purpose of the government is to lease the land on which the project will be built, rather than to purchase it outright, Mr. Lanier stated.

# Primary Election Only 10 Days Off

Primary election is only 10 days away, and as the final days of the campaign begin, public interest has appeared to liven up.

Saturday was the final day for registration, and prospective voters jammed the registration office until midnight. About 4,000 registered voters had been counted by yesterday, according to Roland K. Droll, supervisor of registration, and the number probably will reach nearly 5,000 when the count is completed, he said.

Candidates have until Monday to file their second of three expense accounts. The final expense accounts are to be turned in after the Fall election.

Residents of the county who expect to be outside the state on May 2 began voting this week on absentee ballots. Absentee voting by civilians will end April 28.

## *Band Inspection To Be Held Wednesday*

The Avon Park high school will have band inspection at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, when Major J. B. O'Neil of Fort Pierce, a member of the Bandmaster's Association will be here. The inspection is in lieu of the band contests that were formerly conducted in the spring, but which have been discontinued for the duration.

The warm up march will be "Men of Ohio" (Filmore); the required number is "Merry Maiden Overture" (Fulton); and the selected number is "Americana Overture" (Buchtel). There will also be a sight reading number.

P. J. Gustat of Sebring is president of the Florida Bandmaster's Association. Miss Barbara Betts, director of the band, extends a cordial invitaiton to parents and interested friends to attend the inspection on April 26.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# U. S. Heavy Bombers Blast Balkans, Hammer German Industries in France; Jap Forces Advance in India Theater; Congress Studies New Draft Problems

(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.) Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## EUROPE:
### *Aid Russ*

With Allied troops in Great Britain poised for the jump into western Europe, U. S. bombers took to the air to blast the Balkans in conjunction with the Russian armies' advance into Rumania.

In the English Isles, an electrical tenseness was reported as Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's high command was said to have set the zero hour, and Allied planes continued to roar over the channel to blast Nazi defenses and industries in France and Germany.

As the Russians edged toward the vital Rumanian oil fields of Ploesti, U. S. bombers thundered over the city from the south to blast railway tank cars filled for the long haul to western Europe. U. S. bombers also dropped explosives on aircraft factories and railroad yards of the Hungarian capital of Budapest.

In Italy, heavy artillery bombardments punctuated bitter ground sparring below Rome at Anzio and Cassino.

### *Psychological War*

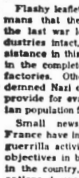
Leaving no stone unturned, the Allies have been showering Axis Europe with propaganda leaflets as well as bombs in an effort to undermine German morale and encourage underground resistance in occupied countries.

Flashy leaflets have told the Germans that their surrender during the last war left most of their industries intact, while continued resistance in this war will only result in the complete demolition of their factories. Other leaflets have condemned Nazi officials for failing to provide for evacuation of the civilian population from bombed areas.

Small newspapers dropped in France have informed the people of guerrilla activity, and of the Allied objectives in bombing Nazi targets in the country, while similar publications dumped over Holland have pointed up America's war effort and the heavy assaults on Berlin.

## AGRICULTURE:
### *Egg Supports*

To bolster sagging egg markets, War Food Administrator Marvin Jones told a group of senators led by Senator Wherry (Neb.), that WFA planned to support prices by purchases of from 27 to 32 cents per dozen in distressed areas where handlers paid producers a minimum of 26 cents a dozen.



Sen. Wherry

Declaring that the WFA's biggest problem was disposal of the eggs, Jones called upon the congressmen to support legislation for sale of perishable commodities below parity levels. At present, perishables cannot be sold at such prices until they evidence deterioration, with the result that rot often sets in, Jones said. If the civilian population would eat one more egg per week per person, the surplus egg problem would be largely solved, Jones added.

Although adquate storage space has been found for frozen eggs, Jones said, production has been influenced by manpower problems. Wherever possible, the government has increased its contracts for the product, he said.

### *Canadian Oats*

Seeking to relieve the tight feed situation, the War Food administration has arranged for the importation of 20,000,000 bushels of Canadian oats by May 15 via rail and the Great Lakes.

Under the plan, U. S. railroads would immediately send 75 cars daily into the Canadian interior for the grain, with 25 more to be sent later, if domestic needs for the cars are not pressing. The rails would carry the oats to Duluth, whence they would be routed to Chicago and Toledo by boat. From 15 to 20 days generally would be required for the round trip, officials estimated.

Because competitive bidding between the two cities would bring Canadian grain above the U. S. price ceiling, the Commodity Credit corporation might purchase the oats directly from Canada for resale at lower prices in the U. S.



GOP Favorite—Republicans boom Gov. Tom Dewey (left) as Wendell Willkie steps out.

## GOP:
### *Willkie Quits*

Stormy petrel of the Republican party since 1940, big, blustery Wendell Willkie withdrew his bid for leadership of the GOP, while New York's Gov. Thomas E. Dewey was assuming the position through a popular draft.

Willkie's sudden demise and Dewey's ascension were occasioned by progressive Wisconsin's elections for delegates to the Republican national convention in Chicago, June 26. Although Willkie actively campaigned through the state, he failed to win even one delegate, while Dewey, who had asked that his name be withdrawn from the election, won 18.

Since Wisconsin has long been noted for its liberalism, Willkie deliberately selected it as the grounds for a test of Republican sentiment, basing his bid for delegates on a program for heavier war sacrifices and extensive U. S. cooperation in world affairs.

## DRAFT:
### *26-29 Next*

Both selective service and congress struggled over the problem of supplying the military services with younger men and maintaining record war production, with continued emphasis on shifting 4-Fs in unimportant work to essential occupations.

Referring to the decision to only defer key industrial and agricultural workers in the 18 to 25 age group, Draft Director Lewis B. Hershey declared that the same policy would next be extended to the 26 to 29 class.

In seeking to channel 4-Fs into necessary work, the house military affairs committee called upon selective service to obtain a list of essential occupations and manpower shortage areas for use in guiding the employment of 4F's, who would face induction into a labor battalion if failing to take vital jobs.

### *State Inductions*

With 1,265,000 men, New York is scheduled to lead the states in the number of soldiers and sailors to be inducted by July 1, with Pennsylvania with 904,000, and Illinois with 700,000, ranking second and third.

Other states with high totals include California with 607,000; Ohio with 610,000; Texas with 554,000, and Michigan with 452,000.

Nevada with 11,000 is scheduled to contribute the smallest amount of men, with Wyoming and Delaware with 23,000, the next lowest.

## PACIFIC:
### *Eye Stilwell*

While U. S. bombers continued to pummel Jap defense outposts in the Pacific, British troops strived desperately to check the enemy's stubborn advance toward the American operated Bengal-Assam railroad, 80 miles within India.

Working over the whole Jap outpost system in the Pacific, navy fliers pounded the enemy's storage and defense installations on Truk in the Carolines, while army airmen repeated heavy attacks on the Nips' supply base of Hollandia in New Guinea, feeder point for barges operating along the coastline.

Seeking to cut the Assam-Bengal railway feeding Lieut. Gen. Joseph Stilwell's U. S.-Chinese troops fighting to carve out a new supply road to China in northern Burma, the Jap attack in India was concentrated in the rugged hills above Imphal.

## SOUTH AMERICA:
### *'Money to Burn'*

South America's huge accumulation of gold and foreign exchange, of which dollars form the greatest part, looms as another factor in the promotion of economic activity in the postwar world.

Because South American countries have been spending the U. S. and other nations more goods than they have been able to buy back, the U. S. department of commerce reported they have built up a cash balance of over 3 billion dollars, which will be available for foreign trade when warring powers return to civilian production.

In 1943, the department reported, the U. S. bought $1,302,000,000 worth of goods in South America, while selling only approximately $800,000,000, thus leaving the Latin countries with a cash balance of nearly $500,000,000.

## PENICILLIN:
### *New Plants*

Costing $20,000,000, 21 new penicillin plants in the U. S. and Canada soon will go into the production of sufficient quantities of the magic drug to meet the needs of 250,000 severe cases and 2,500,000 milder ones of the armed forces.

Despite the increase in production, penicillin only will be available to civilians who cannot be treated with the sulfa drugs.

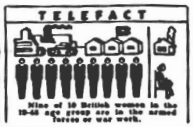
New methods have been developed for making penicillin and costs have dropped 84 per cent within a year, but because the drug is derived from a mold which still must be grown and only small quantities can be refined at a time, demands continue to surpass supplies.

## GREAT BRITAIN:
### *Act Against Strikes*

Plagued by strikes which resulted in a loss of 1,000,000 working days in March, the British government drafted an order under which incitement of labor unrest would be a criminal offense.

Even as the government considered drastic action, 70,000 miners in Yorkshire remained idle over deductions from their wages for coal for their homes, and over 20,000 shipyard workers were on strike in Belfast in protest of the jailing of aircraft shop stewards for participating in unauthorized walkouts.

While the government moved to check the strike wave, the Trades Union Congress warned British labor that continuance of work stoppages would imperil an Allied victory.




Nine of 10 British women in the 19-40 age group are in the armed forces or war work.

## ITALY:
### *Political Unanimity*

Liberated Italy's six anti-Fascist parties were prepared to participate in a new government when King Victor Emmanuel abided by his reported decision of retiring as actual ruler and designating his son, Prince Humbert, as his lieutenant to represent his interests.

In settling this knotty problem of at least temporarily preserving the institution of the monarchy while still satisfying the demands of the anti-Fascists that the king get out, the king's advisors fell back on an old precedent in Italian history.

Although the Communists who are reportedly vying for control of the defense and police ministries in any new government, recently declared their intention of cooperating with the king, other anti-Fascist elements held fast to their contention that his removal was requisite to the establishment of a strong democratic administration in the state.

## U. S. TREASURY:
### *Record Receipts*

Boosted by receipts of $5,161,000,000 for quarterly income tax payments, the treasury collected $6,573,000,000 in March, but expenditures also were at a record level of $8,525,000,000, leaving a deficit of $1,952,000,000.

Of the heavy expenditures in March, $7,726,000,000 went directly for war activities, topping the November, 1943, peak of $7,541,000,000.

During March, $268,000,000 in war bonds was redeemed, representing 38 per cent of the month's sale of $708,000,000.

Plans for the Fifth War Loan drive to get under way June 12 call for a goal of $16,000,000,000, about $730,000,000 less than was actually raised during the Fourth campaign. Of the total, individuals will be asked to purchase $6,000,000,000 worth of bonds, more than they bought during the last drive.

## TRAIN BANDITS

In shades of Mexico's more turbulent days of three decades ago, Mexican highwaymen have gone back into business, concentrating on trains bringing back native laborers enriched with hard earned wages from six months of agricultral work in the U. S.

Armed with machine guns and pistols, 60 bandits reportedly held up a train in Sinaloa province, hoisting $100,000 from 600 homebound agricultural workers and making a clean getaway.

# Performance of U. S. Fighting Planes Best in World, Thanks to Advisory Committee for Aeronautics

## Tests and Research Keep America Ahead In Grim Competition

By HARROW LYONS
WNU Washington Correspondent

American facilities for developing new models of military airplanes are being enlarged, and new personnel is being added to avoid a tragic thing that has happened on several occasions. New models of planes have been sent into battle before they were thoroughly tested in the laboratories of the national advisory committee for aeronautics, one of the government agencies least known because most of its work has been secret, but one which has made as great a contribution toward winning the war as any civilian agency.

In a determined effort to gain mastery of the air and save thousands of lives by hastening victory, by further improving the performance of American aircraft the NACA soon will increase its present staff of about 5,800 technicians by 1,500 additional men and women. The staff at Langley Field, Va., which has the largest staff, will be increased by about 750. The Cleveland laboratory will get about 500 new employees, and the research staff at Moffett Field, Calif., near Palo Alto, will be increased by about 250 more technicians.

The nation depends upon the men and women who staff these laboratories more than any others to keep ahead of the Nazi scientists in designing aircraft that will take and hold control of the skies. If the Germans were to design aircraft that could outfly and outshoot our own—and those responsible for American aircraft design declare that possibility exists—the war in the air over Europe might come to a stalemate.

The army and navy have recognized the supreme importance of these laboratories by giving their employees special draft consideration. They are inducted into the army, and then transferred as inactive reservists. They are always on call for active duty; but they do not wear uniforms and they receive civilian pay and United States Civil Service grades.

**Junior Engineers Needed.**

At present there are needed aeronautical, mechanical and electrical engineers of junior grade. They receive $2,600 a year. Physicists, mathematicians and naval architects of the same grade are needed. Craftsmen, such as instrument makers, tool makers, electricians, metalsmiths, pattern makers and airplane mechanics are needed. They receive prevailing rates of government pay on an annual basis.

Women may qualify for a variety of positions. Those with skill in mathematics and physics are assigned to research projects, while those with training as stenographers, typists and clerks are also needed.

But the committee is not looking today for just ordinary help. The projects which these people are working on are among the most vital to war success, and the committee is looking only for unusual young men and women, who can be advanced as vacancies occur—people whose loyalty and intelligence and ability can be depended upon.

The committee was born in the last war from the necessity of our armed services for airplanes that could compete with those of the enemy. When war broke out in Europe in 1914, leadership in aircraft development had passed from American hands. In March, 1915, congress authorized an advisory body to be appointed by the President and to serve without compensation.

Membership, increased from 12 to 15 in 1929, included heads of military, naval and civil aeronautical organizations of the government, of the bureau of standards, the weather bureau, and the Smithsonian institution, and specially qualified members from civil life. The chairman is elected annually. The paid staff is headed by Dr. George W. Lewis, director of aeronautical research, and by John F. Victory, secretary of the committee, who directs its administrative work.

The first appropriation was $5,000 a year for five years. With that meager start the committee set about regaining for America a position of leadership in military flying. The NACA emerged from World War I with a research laboratory building at Langley Field, and with its first wind tunnel under construction. With appropriations of about $300,000 a year in the era of disarmament and peace treaties, this laboratory laid the foundation for the new science of aeronautics, which again brought leadership to America.

**Nazi Research Expanded.**

But when Hitler came to power in 1933, he recognized that he must have the strongest air force in the world if he was to subdue the world. With foresight and intelligence, Germany began by concentrating upon scientific research. German laboratories were expanded and multiplied, until at the time of the Pact of Munich the German aeronautical research establishment had become five times the size of that of the United States. But not until Germany was convinced that it could make aircraft superior to that of any other nation did it go into mass production.

The NACA recognized the menace, and in 1937 started a study of the relation of its organization to national defense in time of war. The result was a doubling of the research facilities at Langley Field, and the authorization by congress of two additional major research centers—the Ames Aeronautical laboratory at Moffett Field in 1939 and the Aircraft Engine Research laboratory at Cleveland in 1940.

These are operated in close teamwork with the military services and the aircraft industry. It works like this: Suppose the army air forces want a certain aircraft manufacturer to produce a new type of pursuit plane. The design engineers at the factory confer with experts of the materiel command of the air forces at Dayton, Ohio, and agree tentatively upon general design and specifications. Both groups confer with NACA experts at Langley Field to incorporate the latest knowledge gained through research.

**NACA Checks New Models.**

The program calls for the factory to go into production by a certain date. The manufacturer assembles tools and material and makes contracts for sub-assemblies. The army materiel command plans and provides the military equipment, including instruments, armor and armament. The NACA responsibility involves, first, making of dynamically balanced small flying models for experimentation in its free-spinning wind tunnel and in the free-flight wind tunnel.

The free spinning wind tunnel is a vertical tube 20 feet wide with a propeller mounted on the top and

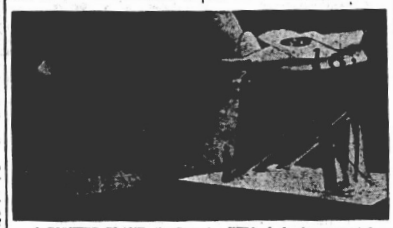


IN THE SMALL wind tunnel, tests are made on new models, many of them highly secret.

drawing air upward. Into the middle of this ascending column of air the airplane model is tossed with its controls set to continue to spin. The controls operated by remote electromagnetic forces, are moved just as a pilot would move them to bring the plane out of the spin.

If the controls are effective, the airplane recovers by going into a dive and is caught in a net. If the controls are not effective, the model continues spinning. Adjustments are made in the control surfaces until satisfactory control is attained. Information to revise the design of the controls is relayed at once to the army and to the manufacturer, and is used to correct the design.

A second model is prepared with rimilar care and is tested in the free-flight tunnel. That is a wind tunnel 13 feet in diameter inclined at an angle which will permit the model to glide forward through a moving stream of air. The model is equipped with delicate electrical mechanisms which operate the controls, and which enable the research staff to determine what changes are necessary to assure, in advance of production, that the new design will be easily maneuvered and controlled and will have stability.



A FIGHTER PLANE, the Brewster XF2A—1, is shown mounted on struts in the full scale wind tunnel, ready for testing. The struts are connected to instruments in the room below the platforms, which record the various stresses which the plane undergoes in this largest wind tunnel in the world. (All pictures are official photographs released by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.)

When these tests have been made, and the necessary information obtained, the NACA makes larger and sturdier models with solid steel cores to be firmly mounted on recording balances in wind tunnels operating at air speeds up to 600 miles an hour. These tunnels measure the lift and drag, as well as the pitching, rolling and yawing movements of the plane at various angles of attack.

**Add 20 Miles Per Hour.**

When the first full-sized plane is produced, it is placed on the NACA full-scale wind tunnel to determine how to increase further its speed by reducing the drag through better streamlining, or removing, or reshaping protuberances. In such full-scale tunnel tests, the NACA has never failed to add at least 20 additional miles per hour to the speed of a plane about to go into production.

Special tests are provided for particular types of planes. For high speed fighters, aerodynamic experiments are conducted to low air pressures, such as are encountered at great altitudes. In a huge domed structure, pressures are created to simulate air conditions at altitudes up to 12,000 feet.

Taking off and landing abilities of planes are tried out in a basin 600 feet long, containing seawater. A large scale model of a seaplane, or of the floats only, is towed behind an electrically powered crane, at speeds up to 80 miles per hour.

Experimental planes are flight tested under carefully controlled conditions, and a record is made of its performance on movie film. The test pilot is given orders by radio telephone from the ground, and he performs the turns, loops, dives, climbs, and other maneuvers.

One of the recent outstanding contributions of the Ames laboratory has been the use of exhaust heat from airplane engines to heat the leading edges of wings, tail surfaces and windshields of airplanes to prevent the formation of ice. This has permitted safe flight under conditions that otherwise would have grounded planes. The ice hazard has been eliminated.

But the list of advances which have been made applies to virtually every component of the airplane. More than once the NACA laboratories have saved the commercial life of some aircraft company by giving it the necessary scientific information to bring into practical use advances in design the company had built, but which fell short of military requirements. The success of the Flying Fortress design was made possible by scientific knowledge developed in NACA laboratories.

After the war, when America enters an era of great commercial aviation expansion, the NACA laboratories expect to continue to provide the basic scientific research upon which American air supremacy is based. It now has a plant worth some $70,000,000, which at least equals the research facilities of the Germans. It probably will continue to be in competition with German scientists and facilities, but our armed forces hope congress never again will let it fall behind in staff and equipment.



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AN EXPERT metal worker carefully machines a model airfoil to exact specifications.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**BUTANE FOR AUTOS:** A Los Angeles man charged with installing equipment in automobiles to permit them to use unrationed butane gas instead of gasoline, has been indicted by the grand jury. Butane is a material in the production of synthetic rubber. Some equipment was sold for as high as $1,000. At least 40 persons have bought the outfits, it is alleged.

**PARALYSIS:** A vaccine to prevent infantile paralysis may be in process of development at the Mayo foundation in Minnesota. Dr. Carl Rosenow states that he has identified the organism, which he says is a streptococcus in one stage of its growth. He is working on a serum prepared from streptococci and has had some success in making clinical tests.


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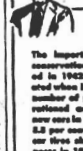

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SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER



The importance of the tire conservation program, effected in 1942, will be appreciated when it is known that the number of passenger car tires rationed and those sold on new cars in 1942 only equalled 8.2 per cent of the passenger car tires shipped for all purposes in 1941.

Neglected small tire tread cuts and bruises can become serious rubber wastes. A small cut, even though it does not go entirely through the fabric, lets in dirt, water and tramp matter. Constant flexing increases the size of the cut until the tire is beyond repair. Prompt repair is a patriotic duty these days.

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By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

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# Rumania, in Turbulent Balkans, Has Gained and Lost Territory in Last 26 Years; May Lose More

### Mountainous Country Has Been Useful Junior Partner to Nazis.

In the territorial gambles of two World wars, Rumania has been both a dramatic winner and a hard-hit loser.

As an Allied partner in the war of 1914-18, Rumania more than doubled its land holdings, says the National Geographic society. By the end of 1940, although a member of the then successful Axis bloc, it had returned to former owners the major share of its winnings.

Again, when German and satellite forces overran the Soviet Ukraine in 1941, Rumania not only recovered part of the 1940 cessions but also won an extra prize in the Soviet region east of the Dniester river. Today, Red army victories are recovering the Ukrainian territory captured by Nazi and Rumanian forces, and threaten border areas beyond.

**Vulnerable Border Lands.**

In terms of physical geography, most of the border sections held by Rumania between the two World wars could be considered poor military risks. Bessarabia, for example, adjoining the Soviet Ukraine, is open, rolling country, offering little in the way of natural defense.

This region (about the size of Vermont and Massachusetts combined) was under Russian rule almost continuously between 1812 and 1918. In the turbulent days of the Russian revolution and counter revolution, it was occupied by Rumanian troops and later turned over to Rumania by a treaty in which the United States did not join the rest of the Allies. The Soviet Union has never accepted the transfer.

South of Bessarabia, the coastal Dobruja area—taken from Bulgaria after the Balkan War of 1913—is also hard-to-defend open land. It is generally a dry, treeless steppe in the south, with delta-built coast in the north and a Black Sea front of shifting shorelines, marshes and lagoons.

In the west, long Hungarian-contested Transylvania is made up of the broad Transylvanian plateau and fringing plains, including the fertile Banat region disputed between Rumania, Hungary and Jugoslavia. The plains, merging with similar country to the west, are freely accessible from that direction, while the central plateau, backed by Rumania's inner mountain system, is approached by easy mountain passes.

**Mountain Fortress.**

In contrast to the vulnerable border land, the Rumanian core, as originally established through the union of Wallachia and Moldavia Principalities, is essentially a mountain stronghold. Formed by the Carpathians and the Transylvanian Alps, with foothills sloping into productive lowlands, its remote heights and lost valleys have provided historical haven for refugees fleeing the many invading hosts who have made this land a corridor and a battlefield.

From around the mountain heart of Rumania, big chunks of territory were clipped in 1940. To Soviet Russia went Bessarabia and Northern Bucovina; to Hungary a deep cut into Transylvania; to Bulgaria the Southern Dobruja.

This transfer of nearly 40,000 square miles of territory also involved the shifting of some 4,000,000 people—many of them Rumanians, as well as former minority elements. One of the great problems of this tangled Balkan relationships was the presence in Rumania of millions of non-Rumanians in the border lands claimed by its neighbors.

The alien groups—estimated at one-quarter to one-third of the total Rumanian population of nearly 20,000,000—included Magyars, Germans, Ruthenians, Russians, Bulgarians, and Turks. Rumania's large Jewish element has long been the object of restrictions in business and land operations, educational and other professional activities.

**Important Axis Ally.**

As a fighting member of the Axis (Rumania, unlike Bulgaria, is at war with the Soviet Union), this nation has contributed both men and supplies to the Nazis' cause. One estimate put Rumanian casualties at 400,000 by the end of 1942.

Best known Axis aid is war-vital petroleum, of which Rumania is the only appreciable source now available. After the Soviet Union, Rumania is the leading oil country of Europe, although its output is far below that of the Russians. Peak Rumanian production came in 1936, when it went above 63,000,000 barrels. Since then the petroleum output is reported to have declined steadily.

Also of value to the Axis war chest have been Rumania's other minerals, such as copper, iron, coal, lead and zinc; its foodstuffs, forest products, and livestock. Most of the mineral supplies are relatively small, but any amount of scarce essential materials is welcomed. Rumanian coal is used to conserve the more precious oil. Its large deposits of natural gas help operate wartime factories. Although Rumania has lost to Hungary considerable mineral resources in the ceded Transylvania area, these supplies are still within the Axis bloc. The Rumanian loss included mines producing varying amounts of gold, silver, lead, copper, and zinc. About half of the gas fields were shifted, the new boundary at one point cutting across a pipeline leading to Rumanian industrial centers.

In food crops, Rumania—predominantly a farming country—is one of the world's important granaries. Corn and wheat are the chief exportable commodities, with barley, rye and oats following. Soviet-claimed Bessarabia has yielded a sizable share of the cereals.




**With the capture of Yampol, the Russian army cleared the last important barrier into Rumania, and some divisions have reached the Prut river, the old boundary, before Rumania got Bessarabia in 1918 from Russia. The Red area shows the territory the Red army has recaptured in the first 14 days of the drive. German troops are being poured into the country, it is reported, in an attempt to hold a line of resistance in the mountains.**

## What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



Think well of the gift you give that friend of yours who is in the hospital.

A woman loves a bed jacket that is fluffy and flattering—or satin quilted booties are a good choice.

A bed writing-desk for a man is ideal—and pick-up longs for reaching a magazine or book that is out of arm's reach would be different.

If your friend is "hard up" and worried about hospital bills, why not get all his friends together and make up a "fund" which you pay to the hospital to be applied to the bill? This can be done tactfully and cleverly so as not to hurt his feelings. You can bet a worrier will rejoice at news like this and appreciate it much more than a roomful of expensive flowers.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## Rites of Spring



These thoroughbred race horses in a New Jersey pasture feel that early vernal urge, and appear to be stepping off for a waltz. Horse players hope they will show some of the same friskiness on the tracks this season.

## Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



After your Spring Checkup for your skin, check up on your makeup accessories. Put away carefully your rich, heavy Winter shades of lipstick—you'll need them again. Choose a new red—gay and brilliant—as complement to Summer prints. If your eyes are blue, try the flattery of dark blue mascara for your eyelashes. If your eyes are dark, try the exotic beauty of purple!

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## Russ Report 2,000,000 Murdered by Germans

LONDON.—A Moscow broadcast declared that the extraordinary states commission on the investigation of crimes by the German invaders reported 2,000,000 men murdered since the Nazis moved into Russian territory. Prisoners of war were among those "killed and poisoned in murder vans."

## TELEFACT

LIFE EXPECTANCY




## 7,000,000 British Women Actively Engaged in War

LONDON.—Minister of Labor Ernest Bevin said 22,000,000 Britons now are engaged in fulltime war work and in the armed forces and that of these more than 7,000,000 are women. Opening a rest home for women workers at Tadworth, Surrey, which was built with donations from American war workers, Bevin said that $525,000 was contributed in the U. S. in 1943 to build British rest homes.

## AMERICA IN ACTION

### AIR CADETS MAKE PLANS FOR POSTWAR LIVING

America's fledgling fliers are training hard to make history on aerial battlefronts but they're also looking ahead to plan a world where "Molly and me, and baby'll make three."

Postwar homes and garden layouts are running a close second to academic, physical and military training interests of aviation cadets and students at the San Antonio aviation cadet center.

Take the word of Mrs. Alice F. Lovelace, post librarian at Cadet Service Club No. 1. Plans, pictures and books on home-building and gardens, she says, top the wanted list at the Post library.

Along with their domestic interests, Mrs. Lovelace said, many students are studying intensively to learn the fundamentals of starting small businesses, such as grocery and other commodity stores.

Literary tastes, she said, run to fiction rather than non-fiction, with emphasis on mystery yarns. Runner-up in the fiction class is the historical novel, with Lloyd C. Douglas' "The Robe" topping the list.

Kenneth Roberts' "Northwest Passage," "Rabble in Arms" and "Arundel" run a close second, followed by political and travel novels such as "Inside Latin America" by John Gunther, and "Spain" by Salvador de Madariaga.

Most popular among books dealing with the war, Mrs. Lovelace said, are Ernie Pyle's "Here Is Your War" and "God Is My Co-Pilot" by Col. Robert L. Scott.

Library facilities available to students include 6,630 fiction, non-fiction and technical books; monthly subscriptions to 62 magazines and current issues of 34 newspapers covering the United States.

Mrs. Lovelace has been "trouble shooter" for "her boys" since November, 1943. Her husband is a naval flier stationed at Corpus Christi.

"You can't imagine how many different services the title 'librarian' covers," she said. "I'm getting to be an expert on arranging parties; thinking up recipes for dinners and cocktails, and suggesting games."

The library, open daily, has a monthly circulation of 2,355 books, with 2,525 current borrowers. Standing orders are maintained with publishers for current best-sellers.

In addition, a complete "War File," with newspaper articles, magazine pictures, charts and maps and anything dealing with the progress of the war or development of new weapons or techniques in warfare, is maintained.

Huge wall maps and aeronautical charts, criss-crossed with colored strings and pins, enable the students to follow the progress of the war, and new in process of construction is a complete War Exhibit, in miniature.

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## "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

### SKIRT SPURTS



**You don't have to be an expert dressmaker to make yourself some smooth school skirts. Buy yourself a good pattern and some material and see how good you are with the needle. Here are some tricks especially for you, Miss Nimble Thimble.**

BLOOMER BELLE—Make yourself a pair of bloomers to match your skirt. Then you can wear your skirt very short and when you dance you'll show your pants (poetry again). It's a cute fashion in bright plaid. Try it.

SEW SWEET—Make two little hearts out of your skirt fabric. Pad them like little pin cushions and attach one to each end of a string-like piece of fabric, piping. Knot the string around your belt and wear your gadget pin (or HIS class pin) in your hearts. Or let the hearts dangle from your dickey collar.

LETTER PERFECT — Cut your initials from your skirt fabric and applique them on your sweater. The bigger the better and smart as all get-out.

IN THE BAG—Make a drawstring bag with the fabric left over from your skirt. Be sure to make the strings long enough to wear over your shoulder. You can use the crown of an old felt hat for a "feed bag" style.

### Jitterbug Joolery

*How's for some new lapel lunacies? They certainly do attract attention in classrooms. Or, as the teacher says, they distract attention.*

FISH STORY—Ask dad for some of his fish flies. Wear them in your lapel or in your beanie.

COMIC CHARACTERS—Cut out the faces of your favorite characters in the comics. Paste them on little cardboard or wooden discs. Preserve with colorless nail polish. String on yarn to wear around your neck.

SPOONY STUFF—When you bend a spoon over your wrist to make a bracelet, see that the bowl of the spoon faces away from your wrist. Paste a picture of your favorite D.P. (Dream Prince) in the bowl and then paste a piece of cellophane over the spoon to it. Looks like the glass over a picture frame.

OUT OF THE NUT BOWL—Take a walnut, four whole cloves and two raisins and make yourself a turtle gadget. Use one half of the walnut shell, paste a raisin at each end to represent head and tail and paste four cloves to represent feet. Attach a pin in back.

### Fickle Fan

**Oh, you can sigh your heart out with Boyer,**
**Or maybe he - man Gable makes you spoony,**
**Oh, you can harmonize with Nelson Eddy,**
**And you can go to town with Mickey Rooney.**
**You can ride the range with cowboy Rogers,**
**To dance with Fred Astaire can be your honor,**
**Take all my loves of yesterday, for now**
**I'd rather cut a rug with Don O'Connor!**

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# Folks You Know . .

Mr. and Mrs C. Parke Anderson and daughter, Arden spent last week end in Jacksonville.

Mrs Howard Maddox, who has been very ill the past week, is improving, her numerous friends will be pleased to learn.

Rev. R. E. Crow of Eastern Baptist Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa., will arrive today to visit his mother, Mrs. E. M. Crow of VanNuys, California, who is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt.

Mrs. E. A. Delaney and son, Tech. Sgt. E. A. Delaney, Jr., have returned from Brooksville, where they weer guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Perry and family, formerly of Avon Park. They also visited relatives in Gainesville.

Word has been received from J. B. Francis, formerly of Avon Park, who was connected with the Coca Cola Bottling Co., while here, that he is now studying dentistry in Bainbridge, Md. Mrs. Francis and their daughter, Jane are making their home in Baltimore, Md., and Mr. Francis gets to spend his week ends with them.

Mrs. John Proudfit and baby daughter, Judy, who have been with Lieut. Proudfit in Hayes, Kansas have arrived in Avon Park to make their home for the duration with the former's mother, Mrs. J. A. Bost Lt. Proudfit, flight engineer on a B-29, has been transferred to another station.

Mrs. S. S. Thayer and her mother, Mrs. Fred Patterson of Lakeland, returned home Tuesday from New York, where they were the guests of Mrs. Patterson's sister, Miss Clara D. Wilson. While away, they also visited Rev. and Mrs. Harcourt Johnson and family at their home in Patterson, New Jersey. Rev. Johnson was formerly rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Avon Park.

A. R. Esso of San Juan, Porto Rico, was the guest of A. Engelmann and family Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr. Esso has been a customer of Engelmann's Hatchery for the past several years.

Mrs. John D. Raab, as a delegate from the Avon Park Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service, was in St. Petersburg last week to attend the annual conference at the First Methodist Church. She will give a detailed report on the conference at the meeting of the society on May 2.

Mrs. Ruby Reynolds, popular assistant manager of the A & P, and Mrs. Estelle Clark underwent tonsillectomies at Dr. Touchton's hospital rooms Monday morning. Both are convalescing nicely at their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Beeler and daughter, Barbara left this week for Lakeland to make their home. Mr. Beeler has been flight director at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy since the school was opened. He is now flight co-ordinator for both the school here and the Lakeland School of Aeronautics.

Rev. O. E. Burton left Thursday for Miami, where he will join Mrs. Burton and their son, Buddy, who are visiting relatives there. Rev. Burton will fill the pulpit Sunday at the Riverside Baptist Church, his home church, and the one with which he was affiliated before entering the ministry.

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The business and program meeting was presided over by the circle chairman, Mrs. Raab, who also conducted an impressive devotional on Spiritual Life, based on Psalm 46.

Members present included Mrs. John D. Raab, Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Miss Furlow Anderson, Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. Elwell.

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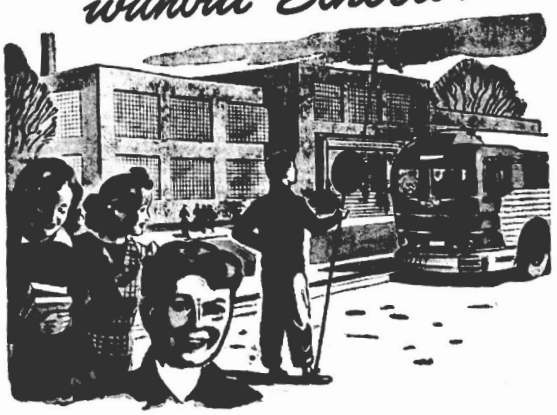
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## Old Age Help Based on Need

State Welfare Commissioner Leland W. Hiatt, has called the attention of the District 8 Welfare Board to the expediency of explaining that although additional racing revenues have made it possible to increase the average old-age grant from $18.50 per month to $24.00 per month, this does not mean that all recipients will get the latter amount or the same amount, according to announcement yesterday of C. Parke Anderson, district board chairman. The explanation, Hiatt had said, would clear up considerable misunderstanding that he had found to exist generally.

"By average old-age grant is meant the figure that would be arrived at if all the money paid recipients of old-age assistance was divided by the number of recipients," Commissioner Hiatt had asked the district board to explain. "As a matter of fact," the explanation had continued," a good many of the needier old-age recipients are now getting the maximum grant of $40.00 per month, while some of the least needy cases are receiving the minimum of $5 per month. It is unreasonable to suppose that those receiving $40.00 per month would be reduced to $24.00, or that those receiving $3.00 would be increased to $24.00. As the old-age program is strictly an assistance program, the amount of each grant must be based on the need of the person to whom it is paid."

Hiatt called attention to the fact that the State Welfare Board had previously authorized an increase in the old-age grant, using funds guaranteed by the cigarette tax, and that it was possible to make a second increase only because of an unusually good racing season. The second distribution, he said, would be made in April to all except a few whose cases have not as yet been reviewed.

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Frank (Hotshot) Armistead

## Dunham Friend of Highlands



Al Dunham, DeSoto representative in the legislature and candidate for the state senate from the 27th district, is making an aggressive drive in Avon Park as the campaign draws into its final weeks.

The doughty Arcadian was a potent factor in the 1943 house among the freshmen and was chairman of the important fish and game committee which gives some idea of his standing in the lower house.

Dunham was the author of the Peace river polution bill seeking to prevent dumping of poisonous phosphate mine drainage into the stream and was one of the elders in protecting the wild life and other conservation matters.

"I worked just as hard as anyone could for the State Hospital at Avon Park," he says. "I even worked for it back in 1941 when the first real effort was made. Provision has been made for the hospital and when I get to the senate I'll be in there fighting for adequate appropriations."

## Keeping On the Go With the USO

(BY TOM W. DOBSON)

The 740th Bomb Rangers played to a record crowd of GI's, their wives and guests on Tuesday night. Thunderstorms and heat served merely to increase participation in the evenings fun. Wednesday night, to the amazement of the 'cinema fans who expected a bevy of beauties in 'Star Spangled Rhythm," the glory of the early pony express came to the screen in "Wells Fargo."

With Mothers Day in the offing plans are underway for a celebration in the club. Initial feature is "Mother's Favorite Recipe Contest" with local servicemen submitting their choice of mothers culinary arts. Hostesses will select the best recipe and the boy who submitted it will be awarded a telephone call home.

The April meeting of the USO Senior Hostess group was held Thursday, the business meeting being followed by a bridge party. Armed with scissors, paste and magazines, hostesses will assemble on next Thurday to compile scrapbooks to be sent overseas. The books, when completed will consist of forty eight pages of short stories, humor, cartoons and (wonder of wonders) all the installments of a popular serial.

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RE-ELECT



W. B. (Babe) DOUGLASS
AS RAILROAD COMMISSIONER
Continue to profit from the services of a public servant of peoven ability, experience, integrity and a desire to be of service to the public and His fellow citizens. His decisions have been based upon evidence and he will continue to follow that policy.
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JUICE ORANGES 35c PECK GRAPEFRUIT 30c Dz.
A. W. FORBES
One Block So. School House,

For Sheriff
Tom Dimberline
Your Vote and Support Will Be Appreciated

Make Sure You Are Registered and help elect your County Officials for the next four years.
Your election of me as your County Judge will be returned with clean administration, impartial treatment and faithful performance of the office.
Howard Livingston
Candidate for County Judge

NOMINATE
JIM F. MELTON
County Superintendent of Public Instruction
I will endeavor to work for the following platform:
1—Raise he present high standard of the schools of our county.
2—Do everything possible to enlarge and better all courses in vocational training.
3—Encourage and maintain a physical training program.
4—Advocate a standard basis of salary for teachers throughout the county.
5—Maintain a safe and efficient school bus service.
I will appreciate your vote and influence
(Paid Political Advertisement)

IS SENATOR PEPPER *More Interested* IN "WAR PROFITEERS" THAN IN WINNING THE WAR?

THE HOUSE MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, SAYS:

In its report after investigation into the causes for the delay in the construction of Eglin Field, an army air field at Valpariso, Florida, and the air port at Pensacola, Florida, that it was caused by the successful fight of Senator Pepper to force the Government to buy asphalt from the Pan American Petroleum Corporation, represented by a law firm with which he once had connection, at a price much higher than the low bid. This was done says the committee by references made by Senator Pepper in a heated discussion with government officials concerned in the purchase "to the necessity of Senate confirmation" for their promotions.

The Committee concludes its report with the statement in reference to Senator Pepper "The Committee deplores most strongly the fact that any members of Congress would exert sufficient influence, and that an established government agency would be so susceptible to such influence, as to cause unwarranted delay in the completion of a project so essential to the development of the national defense."

FOR HIS ACTIVITIES IN THE ASPHALT DEAL
PEPPER IS CONDEMNED!

BY THE DEMOCRATS:

Senator Walter F. George, after refusing to recommend the purchase of asphalt from the Pan American Petroleum Corporation or anyone else, said: "I deplore political interference in government contracts."

BY THE REPUBLICANS:

Senator Tobey said in reference to Senator Pepper when this same asphalt deal came up for discussion on the floor of the Senate: "When a high government official beats the drums for war which will result in huge profits to certain companies in the United States, and when that same high government official uses his high office by active intervention on behalf of a great oil company in the matter of bids for contracts where the contract should go to the lowest bidder, the danger is that the people may believe that there is a connection between his appeal for intervention in the war and his motives for intervention in the oil company deal."

BY THE NATION:

The Washington Daily News had this to say editorially about this asphalt deal: "Yesterday an article by Thomas L. Stokes, concerning Senator Pepper and a rather sticky asphalt contract for an Army Air Corps field in Florida, precipitated more than an hour of lively debate in the U. S. Senate. Then all the remarks were 'expunged' from the record, because some of the things said seemed to reflect upon the motives of certain members of that august body."

"We wish here merely to say that this newspaper is not bound by the protocol of 'senatorial courtesy.' The facts we have published about the asphalt contract will not be 'expunged' from our columns . . . . Our sentiments were expressed by an officer from the Army Corps of Engineers who, having looked into the facts by order of Assistant Secretary of War Paterson, commented: 'It stinks'."

IS THIS THE REASON?

—The "War Profiteers" are spending $250,000.00 in a desperate effort to re-elect Senator Claude Pepper?

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### BLIND CAN'T LEAD

Are you one of the 16,000,000 folks who received one of the "Welfare State" pamphlets printed by the "Committee for Constitutional Government, 205 East 42nd St., New York?" Did you get your copy from Constitutional Voters Committee in Orlando, which apparently was duped into distributing this booklet throughout Florida?

Read this from the famous book "Under Cover:"

As I continued my investigations among groups fronting for those "big business" interests who hated the President more than Hitler, I saw that they were often headed by men who had grudges that went as far back as the last war.

Take for example the Committee for Constitutional Government which financed tremendous lobbying campaigns and collaborated with America First. In one instance alone it financed the printing and distribution of 16,000,000 pamphlets and conceled spending at least $206,859. Its program of "constructive Americanism" is directed by executive secretary Dr. Edward A. Rumley who served a sentence in the Atlanta Penitentiary as an agent of Imperial Germany.

Testifying before the Senatorial Committee to Investigate Lobbying Activities in 1938, Dr. Edward A. Rumley retold the sensational story of how he bought the New York Evening Mail in the early years of the war, with money supplied jointly by Herman Bielckern, a "great international merchant," residing in Baden-Baden, Germany, and the rabid Germano-phile, Mrs. Adolphus Busch of St. Louis.

He told how Heinrich Albert, German agent, gave $200,000 for advertising in foreign-language papers urging "neutrality." And when Senator Lewis B. Schwellenbach read from the record of the Circuit Court of Appeals charging that Rumley refused to report to the Alien Property Custodian an indebtedness of $1,451,000 to the Kaiser's government, Rumley demanded furiously, "Is that relevant?"

(This quotation was confirmed by the FBI.)

The Florida Committee in Orlando, through Secretary Russell Kay, has written one country editor that the committee did not know these pamphlets it has been circulating come from "such" sources — and this is what makes today's situation dangerous for America; a veritable powder keg.

Hundreds of men of standing, most of them good Americans normally, are so blinded by a suddenly aroused hatred for another man who merely happens to be the president of the United States that they circulate without investigation or without any consideration of facts whatsoever literature dictated by convicted German spies.

They think the common every day garden variety of Americans are so blind they need to be told to vote—and they who are so blind they let German spies lead them, would undertake to lead the allegedly blind, who most of us don't figure are so blind anyway.

But the point at issue now is that it seems high time that we should start questioning such actions by men who are so blindly hating men and ideals that they themselves can't see German spies in action. Such leadership illy serves America.

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### THE MAN MEASURES UP

Do you remember the story of the youngster who, seeking to improve the product of his pullets, set a big turkey egg in front of the row of nests and wrote on it: "Look at this and do your best!"

That youngster was wise. He gave his chickens something to shoot at. History does not, however, nor does humor record whether success crowned his venture.

Well, look back to that September day in 1942 when The Sun—sort of replying to the St. Petersburg Times' suggestion that Florida should seek a man of good statue to put in the governor's chair for the trying four years that are about to confront us in all their uncertainty—set up a mark for the people to shoot at, little dreaming that the mark, itself, might be attainable. We suggested a type and a man in the hope that folks might pick a man outstanding even amongst "tall timber" such a like that man we pictured. Remember? Well, here's what we wrote:

With assurances of troubled waters ahead it is highly gratifying to note that Floridians are already giving some thought to a successor to Governor Holland—and even more heartening to note that folks seem to be casting about for "heavier timber" than seems noticeable in the primary forest to date.

"Strong men" are the times like these are not as available as the casual mind believes. Even as bitter an enemy of FDR as Pegler has just admitted the only man big enough to finish this war is the aforesaid FDR. Frankly, he's probably right and all the clamor of politicians that anybody can run this country during war time is just the reason politicians are losing the confidence of our people.

Many will be called and few chosen—probably tells the story. But there are a few "strong men" left in Florida—there is some "heavy timber" available. We've just got to go deeper into the "woods" and search more diligently.

Looking back into the "woods" we recall one just now that will stand the spotlight of times like this. He dropped out of political ranks voluntarily. If we are to believe that old saw: "of politics 'tis oft said, that few 'ins' die and none resign."

That ought to recommend him to start with—but aside from the fact that Millard Caldwell voluntarily retired from Congress when his re-election was so generally predicted that there was no opposition in the offing anywhere in the third district, this tall cracker from Santa Rosa stands out even in the "heavy timber" area.

His leadership of the gasoline tax fight in the 1931 tax session of the Florida legislature was an outstanding example of capacity and ability—endearing him to the small county group; and at the same time such vigorous opponents as John Mathews from Duval admittedly recognized his legislative integrity and sincerity. He carried the same qualities to Congress and soon became Florida's outstanding representative among his colleagues.

Yep—he's well worth consuming. We only hope he'll take time out to consider it himself.

Well, things do move in Florida, and suddenly Floridans have a chance to pick—not a man like we saw as a type or an example of what was needed, but the man himself: Millard Caldwell, the one man in the governor's race who "measures up" by every yardstick of good government. Yes, he measures up with Graham, inch by inch in every angle of statue, plus a calm serenity that is tremendously effective poised side by side with his grim determination.

He matches good points with our old football antagonist from Duval High, Frank Upchurch, and adds a wider practical experience in the realm of governmental business and the farm.

He goes Green one better in practical experience in governmental affairs as he grows in statue with an integrity of purpose that disdains the "catch all" promises of a master politician seeking to climb another rung on the political ladder.

He has the "milk of human kindness" that permeates sound Ed Baker— plus the personal "man-power" to "take" the grinding punishment that awaits the next governor, not to mention his broader vision of public affairs.

He loves his fellow man with all the fervor that actuates our good friend Raymond Sheldon, and adds a wider grasp of effective methods of matching wits with the wishers and talkers while he goes about the job of doing what's got to be done.

No wonder the people of Florida are finding him. More and more are day by day noting his towering figure, truly "heavy timber"—tall timber towering above the Democratic "primary forest;" yes, the type of "strong man" Florida needs to pick up the reins when Spessard Holland lays them down.


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## A Message To The Voters of Highlands County



From

## Wilbur C. King

Citrus Grower — Farmer
Cattle Raiser — Merchant
Candidate For

## STATE SENATOR 27th District

Because of my business activities and my work before the Legislature, I believe I am well qualified to serve you in the State Senate and to appreciate and understand the problems of the business man, citrus grower, farmer and cattle man, also the problems of both city and county government.

Your vote and active support will be greatly appreciated and if elected to this high office, I will endeavor to be your servant and will work with you and for you to the best of my ability for the advancement and improvement of Highlands County.

—(Paid Political Advertisement)—


ROOSEVELT
For
PRESIDENT
These are the Delegates to vote for:
*State At Large*
MEN
Walter P. Fuller
Ernest Overstreet
Bill Shayne
WOMEN
Mrs. Walter Clark
Mrs. Beulah Hooks Hannah
Mrs. Hayden McK. Harriss
*Sixth Congressional District*
W. F. Finch
Christine Edenfield
CLIP THIS LIST — Memorize It
Election Day
(Paid Political Advertisement)


IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY — IN CHANCERY
C. H. WALKER, Plaintiff,
vs.
ABBIE R. DODGE, ET AL. Defendants.
NOTICE TO APPEAR

Notice is hereby given to Abbie R. Dodge and ..... Dodge, her husband, Thomas McBride and ..... McBride, his wife, Arthur D. Dunn and ..... Dunn, his wife, Hugh Lawrence and ..... Lawrence, his wife, Mary J. Faulkner, individually, and ..... Faulkner, her husband, and Mary J. Faulkner as Administratrix of the estate of Harry Haggerty Lewis, deceased, Mary C. Brady, individually, and ..... Brady, her husband, and Mary C. Brady as Executrix under the last will and testament of Joseph A. Brady, deceased, and to all persons, known or unknown, having an interest in the following described property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 8, less the north five feet thereof, the north fifteen feet of Lot 9, and all of Lots 13 and 14, Block 96, 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 C. H. Walker 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, are hereby required to appear in said suit on the first Monday in May, A. D., 1944, being the first day of said month and a Rule Day, and thereafter file with said Clerk your written defenses, if any you have, to the bill of complaint at the time prescribed by law, or decree will be entered against you and each and all of you, for default, and the cause will thereafter proceed ex parte.

It is further 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 31st day of March, 1944.

H. T. PIETY,
(SEAL) Clerk Circuit Court,
By HELEN B. DESHONG
Deputy Clerk
March 31., Apr. 7, 14, 21

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA IN PROBATE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Law of 1933

Re Estate of
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON,
Deceased.

TO ALL CREDITORS, LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTEES AND ALL OTHER Sebring, in said County and State, within eight (8) calendar months from

PERSONS HAVING ANY CLAIM OR DEMAND AGAINST SAID ESTATE.

You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claim or demand of any nature whatsoever against the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington, 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 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 March 31, 1944.

JEULAH E. SAPPINGTON
As Executrix of said Estate.
S. COLQUITT PARDEE,
Attorney
Betts Bldg.,
Avon Park, Fla.
M. 31, Apr. 7, 14, 21.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DORA HERNDON FOR AUTHORITY TO SELL CERTAIN REAL ESTATE, THE PROPERTY OF HARLOTTE M. HERNDON, A MINOR.
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID LANDS

Notice is hereby given of the intention of Dora Herndon, as Guardian of the estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a Minor, to apply to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of, Highlands County, Florida, for authority to sell the following property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:

An undivided 1/24 interest in all of Blocks Sixty Six (66) and Sixty Seven (67), of "Unit One" of Lake Lillian Section of Highland Lakes, a subdivision in Township 33 South, Range 28 East, as per replat thereof, recorded in the public records of Highlands County, Florida.

Said application will be made to said Judge at his office in the Court House, Sebring, Florida, at eleven o'clock A. M., May 8th, 1944. All persons interested in said lands are hereby required to appear before said Judge at the time and place mentioned and show cause, if any they have, why authority to sell said lands should not be granted.

Dated April 7th, 1944.
MISS DORA HERNDON
As Guardian of the Estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a Minor.
April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5.

Cigarettes are like girls: Some come in a pack, they get lit, hang on your lips, make you puff, go out unexpectedly, leave a bad taste in your mouth . . . yet they satisfy!

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN CHANCERY.
JESSE HUBERT PELLUM, et al, Plaintiffs,
vs.
STATE WELFARE BOARD et al., Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO HAROLD WALLACE JUSTICE, that a petition has been filed in this office by above named petitioners against A. Neida Justice and others, seeking the adoption of a child born unto A. Neida Justice of date Jan. 4, 1944, of which adoption certificate recites you are a party to its father. Object of petition and this order is for you to show cause, if any you can, before the Court, on the 8th day of May 1944 why the Court should not permit petitioners to adopt said child.

It is ordered that this notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said return day in the Scenic Highlands Sun, a newspaper published in Avon Park, Florida, because it appears that the said Harold Wallace Justice is a non resident of Florida.

Witness my hand and seal this the 6th day of April 1944.

H. T. PIETY
(SEAL) As Clerk of Said Court.
M. H. McDONALD,
ATTY. FOR PET.
April 7, 14, 21, 28

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1242

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that J. F. and A. F. Spooner, the holders of the following certificates have 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. 881
Year of Issuance 1941
Description of Property: Lot 1, Blk. 77, Highlands Park Subdivision, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Henry Gake.
Certificate No. 468
Year of issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lots 14, 15 & Wly. of Lot 16, Blk 317, Ver Plat Book 2, Page 51, S.D. of Irregular tracts, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.
Certificate No. 467
Year of issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lots 5 & 6, Blk 812, Ver Plat Book 2, Page 51, S.D. of Irregular Tracts, Section 29, Township 34 South, Range 29 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 door on the first Monday in May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk
M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1242

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that V. G. Durrence 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. 289
Year of Issuance 1940
Description of Property 415.8 Ft N & S x 149 Ft E & W in Northern part of Blk 176 — A Replat of that Part of Sebring Summit as per Plat Book 2, Page 44, in Section 20, Township 34 South Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed: Unknown.
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 May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1242

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Swain F. Bowers 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. 635
Year of Issuance 1939
Description of Property: Lot 6, Block 2, Hillcrest Addition Per Plat Book 2, Page 90, Section 31, Township 36 South, Range 30 East.
Name in which assessed Steve Hancock.

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 May, 1944, which is the 1st day of May, 1944.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida
(SEAL) By HELEN S. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
M. 31, Ap. 7, 14, 21.

RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Highlands County, Florida, that Notice is hereby given that an election is hereby called to be held at the same time and with the same officials of those in charge of the General Primary Election to be held in Highlands County, Florida, on the 2nd day of May 1944 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of Highlands County, Florida, whether or not two Acts of the Florida Legislature of 1941 will take effect, namely:

Chapter 22318 Special Acts of the Legislature of 1943 relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Board of Trustees at $40.00 per month for the Secretary and $30.00 per month for the other members, of Highlands County, Florida.

Chapter 21493 General Laws of Florida, 1943, relating to the fixing of the compensation of members of the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County, Florida at $600 per year payable monthly.

The question of approval or disapproval of each of said acts will be presented on the official ballot at said Primary election. If a majority vote in favor of the adoption of the act as voted for, the same shall thereupon become effective. If a majority fails to vote in favor of the adoption and vote against the adoption the Act shall not take effect.

That this notice and resolution shall be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said day of election in some newspaper published in the County as may be selected by the person acting as Clerk to this Board.

Board of County Commissioners,
By L. C. CREWS
Its Chairman
Attested by
H. T. PIETY
Ex Officio Clerk
By S. E. BOOTH
Deputy Clerk and as Clerk for said Board.
M. 24, 31, Ap. 7, 14.


## W. A. (Will) Roberts For SHERIFF

- Life-long resident of Highlands County.
- 20-years a peace officer.
- Three years as deputy sheriff.
- Five years as police in Avon Park.
- 12 years as Constable.
- I feel I am qualified, and if elected will serve the public to the best of my ability, and will have only good, clean, respectable deputies.

• I solicit your vote and support in the May 2 Primary


## Political Announcements

**RATES for political announcements: Ten cents per line per week, with a minimum charge of $1.00 per week.**

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

### FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

### FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DIMBERLINE

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

### FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to

1944.

DAN YOUNG

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM,
of Arcadia.

### FOR STATE SENATOR

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

### FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

### FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce for the office of Judge of the County Judge's Court, subject to May 2 Primary election. If elected, I will observe court hours; I will exercise diligence in the dispatch of business; I will be patient and courteous; I will judge the causes of all persons uprightly and impartially; I will uphold the law.

S. COLQUITT PARDEE

### FOR TAX ASSESSOR

I wish to announce as a candidate for re-election to the office of Highlands County Tax Assessor subject to the Democratic Primary to be held May 2, 1944.

Your continued support is respectfully solicited and will be sincerely appreciated.

P. G. GEARING

### FOR REPRESENTATIVE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Representative to the Legislature from Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I duly appreciate the courtesy shown me of having no announced opposition, and will do my utmost to serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

C. E. LANIER

### FOR CONSTABLE,

I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

### FOR CONSTABLE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

WILEY SAULS

### FOR SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

I wish to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. will appreciate your continued support on my behalf.

ROLAND X. DROIT

### FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of Clerk of Circuit Court. I want the people of Highlands County to know that I really appreciate the great favor they did me in electing me to fill this office. When I became Clerk, I adopted the policy of "prompt, efficient and courteous service." The personnel in this office has loyally and enthusiastically cooperated. A continuance of your vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,
H. T. PIETY

### FOR STATE SENATOR

In making my decision to offer for State Senator from the 27th Senatorial District I do so with full realization of the importance of the office and the obligations to the citizens of the counties involved. The next four years will be, I believe, of extreme importance in the planning of a post-war world for those of us here and for the returning of our men and women in the armed services. My experience as a citrus grower, farmer, cattle raiser, merchant, as well as county and city commissioner fully qualifies me, I believe, to understand your problems and to be able to render you real service in Tallahassee. I am not tied up with any particular group nor under obligation to anyone and, if elected, will work for the welfare represent as a whole.

Your support and vote will be greatly appreciated.

WILBUR C. KING

### FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE FIRST DISTRICT

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER

# Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. SETHERINGTON — Phone 54

## Chaplain Turner and Wife Honored at Party Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dilley were hosts at their home on Monday evening to a number of friends at a party given in honor of Mrs. Dilley's brother-in-law and sister, Chaplain and Mrs. A. J. Turner. Chaplain Turner has recently returned from a year's service with an engineer's group in Alaska.

The rooms were tastefully decorated with bouquets of Easter lilies, the colorful tones of summer garden flowers in other arrangements, accenting a pleasing contrast.

Chaplain Turner had on hand a number of interesting pictures which the guests enjoyed, and they were entertained with his description of life in Alaska, as told in a pleasing manner.

Late in the evening, Mrs. Dilley served delectable refreshments of frozen salad, ritz crackers, olives, cookies and iced tea.

Friends sharing the affair with Chaplain and Mrs. Turner and their hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hood, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Rev. O. E. Burton, and Mrs. Harry Dilley.




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## BPW Club Has Enjoyable Party at Peden Home

Mrs. Freed Peden and Mrs. Ike Hart were co-hostesses on Monday evening, at the home of the former, when they entertaind the BPW club at an enjoyable party. Garden flowers, in soft shades, lent an accent of spring to the rooms.

Three tables of players played several bridge progressions, Miss Millie Pearson and Mrs. C. A. Clark winning Defense Stamps, as high and second high score prizes.

Late in the evening, the hostesses served delectable refreshmnts of tuna fish salad, saltines, and iced tea.

Those enjoying the hospitality of the hostesses on this occasion included Mrs. T. J. McGinnis, Mrs. Vera Garner, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. Phillip Boardman, Mrs. C. A. Clark, Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Miss Kate Tompkins, Miss Mattie Tompkins, Miss Millie Pearson, Mrs. Bill Friedman, and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite.

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## Mrs. Ginn Hostess at Bridge Supper Tuesday Evening

A springtime motif prevailed in the decorations and appointments at the lovely supper party given by Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Jr., on Tuesday evening, when she entertained the San Saucl club. Bouquets of phlox and petunias were placed at vantage points in the living room, and a colorful arrangement of nasturtiums formed the centerpiece for the dining table.

The delicious supper was served on the card tables, and consisted of chicken salad, olives, saltines, potato chips, cake, and iced tea.

Several enjoyable progressions of bridge were played during the evening, resulting in Mrs. Ben T. Stewart and Miss Millie Pearson winning high and second high score prizes. Both awards were Defense Stamps.

Club members present included Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Marie Anderson, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs. Freed Peden, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. C. A. Boxall, Jr., Mrs. Phillip Boardman, Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Miss Verna Heim, and Mrs. Ben T. Stewart.

## Philathea Class Has Party at Longbottom Home

Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, Mrs. Paul A. McFarland, and Mrs. R. C. Hutchinson entertained members of the Philathea class of the Baptist Sunday School at a delightful party at the home of Mrs. Longbottom on Tuesday evening. The rooms were decorated for the occasion with attractive arrangements of roses, pinks, and Easter lilies.

A brief business meeting, with Mrs. Sam Howell, president, presiding was held, after which a variety of games and contests were enjoyed. Tempting refreshments of frozen fruit salad, saltines, and punch were served. Each attractively arranged refreshment plate held a pastel colored cup, filled with salted nuts.

Those sharing the evening's pleasure with the three hostesses were Mrs. Devon Reddick, Mrs. Josephine Johnson, Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. Frances McLeod, Mrs. Frank Costine, Mrs. O. C. Wilkes, Mrs. Sam Howell, Mrs. E. C. Wever, Mrs. M. M. Foster, Mrs. H. W. Baughan, Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Miss Evie Camup, Mrs. Durrh Martin, Mrs. W. F. Dye, Mrs. Lillian Davis, and Mrs. Will Drawdy.

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WINDY CITY AND CREW—"The crew most likely to live" selected from Sumrall Provisional Camp) based on comparative proficiency of crews in flying, ground and military training for the week ending April 15, 1944 is crew 45, with Lt. Robert D. Hughes as pilot. In the above picture, front row, L-R—Pfc Charles Siffert, AROG; Sgt Leslie Russell, TG; Cpl John Bellovary, AG; Cpl Arlington Burns,E; Cpl Milton B. Erich, AE. Back row, L-R —Lt Joe A. Gabriel, Bombardier; Lt Hugh L. Evans, Co-Pilot; Lt John C. Rasmussen, Navigator and Lt Robert D. Hughes, Pilot. Cpl Edward F. Klanke, Radio, is hospitalized and missing in this picture. 88th Group photo.



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BAND BLASTS BALLADS—Due to popular request the 740th AAF Band has returned to the Enlisted Men's Service Club to render music that APAAF GI generals love to hear. The concerts are a regular Monday night feature at the club.
(From HIGH SCORE)

## Wanda Jean Powell Has Birthday Party Sunday

Wanda Jean Powell, attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben R. Powell was five years old Sunday, and to celebrate the happy event, her mother entertained a number of her young friends at a delightful party from 3:30 to 5:30 in the afternoon. The party was held in the recreational building in Woodruff Heights. Wanda greeted her guests wearing a crisp little pink and blue sun suit.

A patriotic theme of red, white and blue was cleverly adapted to the details of the party. Games were played during the afternoon, resulting in David Thigpen winning the prize for best pinning the tail on the donkey. Jewell Pitkin was the successful prize winner in the musical chair game.

Late in the afternoon, Mrs. Oren P. Owens assisted Mrs. Powell in serving refreshments of ice cream and cake. The beautiful birthday cake was frosted in blue and bore five brightly burning candles in blue holders. Favors were cups filled with red, white and blue candies, to further accentuate the chosen motif.

Wanda was the recipient of many useful gifts from her friends sharing the party with her who were Jess and Jill Pitkin, Maynard and Duane Rodgers, Greer Parramore, Nancy Maye, David Thigpen, Dorothy and Joan Courchaine, Nancy Ginn, Johnny Webb, Roger Owens, Wallace Lewis, and Sandra Arlet.

## Earl Cook Is Honored at Party In Brooker

Earl Griffin Cook, gunners mate 3-c, U. S. N., was entertained at the home of Misses Stella Mae and Mary Ellen Hayes while recently on leave at his home in Brooker. Games were played and delicious refreshments were served.

Those who enjoyed the evening were Miss Betty Hazel Green, Howard Douglas, Miss Louise Parrish, John Mott, Miss Willie Mae Clemons, Billy Crosby, Miss Arlene Kelley, W. H. Hayes, Miss Marie Edward, Frank Tomlinson, Miss Madaline Green, Doyle Hazen, Miss Hazel Crosby, Wilson Green, Miss Mandy Mott, and Junior Mott, also of the navy.—Contributed.

## Methodist Circle Met Tuesday at Pardee Home

The Jackson Circle of the Methodist WSCS of the Methodist Church was entertained on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. H. Pardee. Mrs. Harry Jackson, chairman, presided at the business meeting, after which Mrs. Pardee led a very interesting Bible study.

The hostess served delicious Spanish cream and cake late in the afternoon, to those present who were Mrs. Walter S. Martin, Mrs. Harry Jackson, Mrs. G. B. Hall, Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, Mrs. T. H. Hughs, Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. Floyd Hougaboom, and Mrs. T. J. Harris.

## Mrs. Paden Honored at Bridge Shower on Wednesday

Mrs. Ruth McDonald was hostess on Wednesday afternoon at a lovely bridge shower, given at the customers' room in honor of Mrs. R. W. Paden. A dainty pink and blue color motif was predominate in all appointments of the party.

Bridge and rummy were enjoyed during the afternoon, a tempting salad plate and punch chilled with tinted ice cubes being served after the games. The shower of dainty gifts was presentd to the honoree in a pink and blue decorated basket.

Friends sharing the party with the honoree and hostess included Mrs. Harold Riggs, Mrs. H. D. Butler, Mrs. John Newberry, Mrs. James Ford, Mrs. Chas. Hurray, Mrs. J. Kirk, Mrs. Oscar Bridges, Mrs. J. D. Turner, and Mrs. Chas. Pabst.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Boxall of Orlando spent the week end with their daughter in law, Mrs. C. A. Boxall, Jr.


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# BLACK SOMBRERO

by CLIFFORD KNIGHT ~ WNU SERVICE

**Elsa Chatfield is disinherited by her Aunt Kitty, who died of an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers and Barry Madison go to Mazatlan, Mexico, to solve what they believe to be Aunt Kitty's murder. On arriving, they find Elsa's party has preceded them by plane. While in Mazatlan James Chesebro is murdered, and while out fishing Elsa's father, Sam, meets death from the sword of a marlin when his chair breaks and he topples into the sea. In re-enacting the scene of the Chesebro murder one Pedro identifies Dwight Nichols as "the man," but Dwight is not held. They return to the launch and strike something ominous alongside the wharf and decide to investigate.**

## CHAPTER XVI

"Easy! Steady! Steady!" Rogers was leaning far out over the side, peering at the water. "Hold it!" The engine stopped and we floated quietly. Rogers continued to peer into the murky water. Something was there. My throat was dry; I felt an uncomfortable sensation at the pit of my stomach. Nevertheless I managed to say, matter-of-factly, I thought, "What is it, Hunt —a log?"

"No," he said. It seemed hours before he spoke again and then he said what I was expecting, yet dreaded to hear him say. "It's Rumble."

I wakened with a start the next morning to find that Rogers was gone. Dawn was breaking over the mountains. I dressed and went out on deck to discover that Rogers had gone ashore.

Rogers was on the wharf when I was landed there. He appeared fresh and vigorous as if he had had a long, unbroken night's sleep. To my inquiry he remarked, "There were several things I thought of, Barry, and it was best to get an early start."

Down below us in the water, a dark head burst upward to the surface and brown arms threshed about. Rogers, leaning over the wharf's edge, shouted in Spanish, "Anything?"

"No, sir. I dive in a moment."

A few seconds later the head disappeared, a pair of feet kicked vigorously and the surface smoothed out.

"What's it all about?" I demanded. "What's he diving for?"

"I've hired him to do the job, Barry. Rumble, I imagine, either fell or was thrown off the wharf. He had checked out of the hotel. Where is his luggage? Why wasn't his bag found on the wharf? And what does it mean if we should find it in the water?"

The diver burst to the surface below, this time farther along the wharf, gasping for breath.

"Anything?" shouted Rogers.

"No, sir. But I think I see something. I should take the end of the rope this time."

Rogers picked up a coil of rope lying at his side, carried it to a point directly above the man, and dropped an end over. The diver seized it and disappeared, while we waited with heightened interest. Finally the rope was tugged vigorously from under the water, and Rogers began to pull up. The diver came threshing to the surface.

"It is what you are seeking, sir, I think," he called up. "Pull."

Rogers drew up the weighted line rapidly, and a moment later there came to the surface a soaked, battered traveling bag, from which gushed tiny streams. He lifted it onto the wharf where it rested drably oozing salt water.

"And now, sir," shouted the diver, "I go down again for the other thing."

"What other thing?" I asked. "This probably was all the luggage Rumble had."

"There was just this bag, according to the hotel porter."

"Then what are you looking for now?"

"The weapon—if Rumble was murdered. Just to be forehanded, Barry. I don't know what the investigation will reveal, but if it is murder, why not look for the weapon hereabouts? Rumble went off the wharf probably at this point.

"There it is, sir," shouted the diver. "The only thing I find."

The object fell at our feet, a blackened, stained knife with a heavy blade, such a knife as a fisherman would use for cutting bait. Rogers picked it up, turning it about in the sunlight, handling it gingerly.

Rogers paid off the diver, and I picked up the still dripping bag and we set off for police headquarters.

Lombardo was in his office when we arrived. He greeted us with an engaging smile, his eyes sparkling, his stiff, black little mustache like something carved of ebony.

"It is very sad, senores, the death of your friend, Senor Rumble," he said, inviting us to sit.

Rogers began to detail what we knew of the separation at the bar, of Rumble's failure to join the fishing party and our subsequent fruitless search, while the skiff sat listening, with now and then a question which betrayed not too great an interest. We had about talked the matter out when Doctor Cruz appeared in the doorway.

Doctor Cruz carried a package wrapped in newspaper. He put it down on the desk, and drew up a chair.

"Senor Rumble," he said, "probably did not drown, as was suggested."

"No? What then?"

"There is a stab wound, gentlemen, under the left shoulder blade, sufficient in my opinion, to have caused death."

Rogers drew from his pocket the dark, stained knife which the diver had tossed upon the wharf. It was dry by now, and it lay sinister and evil-looking on the desk where Rogers placed it.

"Such a knife as this, Doctor?" he asked.

Lombardo and Cruz stared at it for some moments, then Cruz said, "Yes, such a knife as that made the wound."

"Where did you find it, senor?" Lombardo inquired, picking it up.

Rogers explained how it had come into his hands. An exchange of glances went around the circle.

"Do you know whose knife it is, senor?"

"No, sir."

Lombardo laid the knife aside when both Dwight and I likewise had disclaimed any knowledge of its ownership. He reached for the pack-



**A few seconds later the head disappeared.**

age Doctor Cruz had placed on the desk and with thick brown fingers snipped the cord.

"Those are articles removed from the pockets of the dead man's clothing," observed Doctor Cruz.

"The man was not robbed, do you think?"

"I believe not," Rogers answered. "The last time any of us saw him alive was at the hotel bar. He opened the billfold at that time, and, while I paid no particular attention, senor, I should judge that he had approximately the same amount of money in it as you found there just now."

"So we do not look for a thief as the murderer of Senor Rumble," Lombardo commented. He turned back to the little heap of Rumble's earthly possessions spread before him. There was a watch which had stopped at the hour 9:09.

Lombardo picked up the watch, noting the position of the hands.

"This, then, gentlemen," he remarked, "indicates the time Senor Rumble died. But not whether morning or evening. Your American watches—" He shrugged his shoulders.

"It's impossible—the hour of nineteen, night before last," said Rogers quickly. "The time was close upon ten o'clock when we last saw him alive at the hotel. He checked out, I understand, half an hour or so later and disappeared."

"Ah, so?" said Lombardo, discarding the watch. "Where was he bound? He must have been going somewhere, because the diver finds the bag in the water under the wharf. I assume that first Senor Rumble is stabbed and thrown from the wharf, and next the murderer throws over the bag to make his disappearance complete."

"I believe you're correct, Senor Lombardo," said Rogers. "The only place he could have been going was to Senor Nichols' yacht. Senora Nichols had invited him to come aboard with his luggage night before last, to accompany the party on its fishing expedition."

"I understand, senor. And while waiting on the wharf to be conveyed to the yacht, he was set upon and killed."

"Exactly."

"Now, then," Lombardo continued, developing his questions logically. "You were all on shore that night, were you not?"

"With the exception," said Dwight, "of my wife and Senora Chatfield, who remained on board."

"Of course, senor. Now, how did you all go aboard—together?"

Rogers spoke up. "Not exactly, Barry Madison and I went down to the wharf about ten-thirty o'clock. The launch was waiting, and we went out to the Orizaba immediately."

"And the others?" Lombardo looked at Dwight.

"Sam Chatfield, his daughter Elsa, and I went down to the wharf together," Dwight replied.

"What was the time, senor?"

"We left the hotel at eleven-forty-five," Dwight answered, screwing up his eyes in an effort to recall the exact hour.

"Are these all who were going aboard? Was Senor Barton one of you?"

"Oh, yes—Reed Barton," Dwight said. "Reed was waiting with his bag on the wharf when we arrived."

"He went ahead of you, then?"

"Yes. He'd gone around to his hotel to get his things together for the fishing cruise, and it was arranged that he meet us at the wharf."

"Ah, so?" said Lombardo, his sensitive eyebrows lifting slightly. "Perhaps Senor Reed Barton should explain."

"I don't know what time it was," Reed Barton replied to Lombardo's question. He had come to headquarters in response to a telephoned request which found him at his hotel. "Miss Chatfield said that she was beginning to tire, and didn't I think I'd better go get my things and meet them down at the wharf. We were dancing, you know, at the Belmar. She would go down with her father, and it wasn't necessary for me to go back to the Belmar for her."

"What time do you think it was?" pressed Lombardo.

"What's time, Senor Lombardo, when there are no appointments to keep?"

"Was there anyone else, senor, on the wharf when you were?" asked Lombardo.

"Not a soul, until the rest of the party came down."

"Was the launch waiting?"

"No, sir; it arrived from the yacht a few minutes before my friends reached the wharf."

Lombardo lifted his eyebrows, pursed his thick lips and seemed to stare beyond the walls of his office. Reed Barton's gaze, which had been fixed during the questioning upon the chief, dropped to the varied assortment of objects on the desk. I saw it come to rest upon the ugly weapon that presumably had slain Rumble.

"What are you doing with my fishing knife, senor?" he asked, leaning forward to pick it up.

"Ah, so? It is your knife?" asked Lombardo craftily.

"Yes." He turned it about in his fingers, searching for marks of identification. "Yes, it's mine. How do you happen to have it?" He looked at Lombardo, and, before the latter had time to answer, the realization broke over him. "Oh, I see! So that's it! My knife killed Rumble!"

"Yes, senor," said Lombardo grimly. "You admit it's yours. It seems the only thing I can do now, senor, is to lock you up again."

"But I didn't kill him," protested Reed Barton, the color going from his face. "I swear I didn't. I don't understand about the knife, though, even if it is mine."

Rogers suddenly got to his feet, dominating the rest of us who still sat about the desk.

"Senor Lombardo," he said sharply, "if I give you my word that Reed Barton will submit to arrest at any time you desire within the next day or two, will you let him go free now?"

"It is an unusual request, senor—" began Lombardo.

"There are several things that yet need investigation. I promise you the name of the murderer—or the person of Reed Barton."

Lombardo shrugged his shoulders. He glanced at Doctor Cruz. There was the merest flicker in the hard eyes of the medico legista behind the screen of cigarette smoke. Lombardo stood up.

"Okay," he said.

It was a long day crowded with activity. The sequence of tragic events over the past few days served to drive us for mutual comfort into a compact group at the Chesebro, then Sam Chatfield, and now George Rumble. The mere fact that Rumble, the sartorial as well as social misfit among us, had been one in our sequence of tragedy, lifted him with all his faults to a permanent place in our hearts. He had become one of the tragic elect.

"But do you make anything of it all, Hunt?" I asked that evening after dinner at the rancho. "It's so mixed up: there are so many points that conflict." We sat once more within the walls of the fragrant patio, where overhead the huge leaves of the bananas rustled in the stirrings of the night air.

"There is much to be made of it and again very little," he answered. "The thing is still scrawny. Nothing dovetails with anything else. Those among our close circle die and the guilty one goes unpunished, or, rather, unidentified—"

"But how are we going to get anywhere, Hunt? Have we all the facts?"

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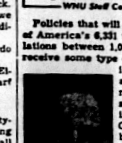
# Let's Face Facts

***Policy Being Developed For Bringing Air Service To Many Small Towns***

**By BARROW LYONS**

*WNU Staff Correspondent*

Policies that will determine which of America's 6,331 towns with populations between 1,000 and 5,000 will receive some type of airplane serv-



**Barrow Lyons**

ice after the war are now in the making. As a result of proceedings before the Civil Aeronautics board in Washington, just what type of service each small town is likely to receive will be decided.

It would be a good idea to tell your congressman to keep his eye on this development, which so intimately concerns your town and your business.

Only lack of planes and pilots is holding back a tremendous expansion of air traffic, both commercial and private, which will reach every corner of the country when facilities and personnel become available. The rapidity with which pressure for this expansion has developed within the last year is revealed by the number of applications to establish new air services.

By the end of last August, 233 such applications had been filed with CAB. By January 15, the number had increased to 435, and by the end of February there were 577 proposals before the board for new and additional air services.

Of the 577 there were 469 which related to domestic services involving about 500,000 route miles, compared with 45,000 route miles now authorized. Outstanding certificates of public necessity and convenience now designate 288 cities and towns which may receive air service, but only 23 are towns of less than 5,000 population.

It is clear that the applications before CAB will open a new chapter in air transportation, one that is full of knotty technical and policy problems.

### *Various Carriers Interested*

For instance, some of the existing airlines feel that with their experience and equipment they should be permitted to extend services to cover most of the now unserviced towns. But surface carriers, the bus lines and railroads, feel that they should be permitted to protect themselves against probably heavy loss of passengers and freight to air transport by establishing lines of their own. And there are hundreds of small, new companies which desire to service towns too small to be attractive to the larger companies, but which feel they are entitled to assure their existence by entering some of the larger terminals.

Already CAB Examiners William J. Madden and Albert E. Beitel have made an investigation of the need for local-feeder and pick-up air services. Oral arguments on this report were heard beginning on April 5. It has been urged that these should be followed by hearings in regional areas throughout the United States at which local problems could be aired. When the board digests the evidence and gives consideration to establishing an over-all national policy, it will make its recommendations for local standards.

If congress is satisfied with the policies and procedure established by the CAB, no further legislation, except to implement the plan of the CAB with funds, will be required. But if it is not, and if what this large and conflicting interests deeply concerned, it would be rather surprising if congress did not take a part in developing policy.

It is virtually certain, however, that as soon as the war ends "strawberry trains" of the air will be carrying fresh fruits and vegetables long distances across our land, and that as the traffic grows more and more of the products from farms and orchards will move in this fashion, beating the fast freight and express trains by many hours.

One of the organizations giving most thought to this development is the Airlines Committee for United States Air Policy, organized to protect the interests of existing air carriers. A subcommittee on air transport of the Railroad Committee for the Study of Transportation, Association of American Railroads, is another body deeply concerned.

The Airlines Committee plans all-cargo services, in addition to hauling passengers. Aircraft manufacturers are designing refrigerator planes—flying freight cars to carry tremendous loads great distances. A plane flying only 100 miles an hour could carry fresh pork from Iowa to the Pacific coast in 15 hours, as against the present time of nearly two weeks.

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Pick-up mail services by which a plane without stopping collects mail at small stations along local passenger routes, is a type of air service receiving consideration. Recently two CAB examiners recommended that passenger air service could well be supplemented by this type of operation. Only one carrier, All-American Aviation, now flies a pick-up mail service, using small, single-motored planes that swoop low over a mailbag rigged between two poles, and with a patented pick-up line hook the bag.

# Washington Digest

# U. S. Businessmen Try To Define Free Enterprise



**Chamber of Commerce Officials Inaugurate Education Campaign Designed to Teach Specific Phase of Democracy.**

**By BAUKHAGE**

*News Analyst and Commentator.*

WNU Service, Union Trust Building Washington, D.C.

In the last few weeks in Washington—and in London, too, for that matter—there has been a crescendo demand for an explanation of our foreign policy, and it is reported that a similar cry is going up from the soldiers at the front—What are we fighting for?

Secretary Hull attempted an answer not too satisfactory to his critics. There will be further official efforts at elucidation. But at least one brass-tacks institution whose headquarters is in Washington has come to the conclusion that before we can understand what we are fighting for, we must have a better understanding of what we think we want to fight for. Everybody on the allied side claims that democracy is the common ground upon which all stand but there is considerable difference as to how each one defines democracy.

Leaving the broader international aspects for a moment, I want to report a unique campaign of education whose purpose is to find out just what is meant by one specific phase of democracy about which we hear a great deal, namely, "free enterprise." This organized effort is being promulgated by the one group whose members use that term most frequently.

And, as their leaders admit, frequently don't know its meaning and often do not even subscribe to it—the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Before me, I have a document from which I want to quote five lines:

"Said one newspaperman to another: 'I'd fall dead if I found a businessman who wasn't in favor of free enterprise.'

"Replied the other: 'I'd fall dead if I found a businessman who really wanted it.'"

The document quoted from is not a political pronouncement—it is "The Economic Sentinel" printed by the United States Chamber of Commerce, and it is just part of an educational effort on the part of this body of businessmen, whose objective is (I'm quoting from another pamphlet published by the Chamber of Commerce):

"To develop in every community a group of leaders who really understand, and who can explain and who can convincingly advocate the economic system of free, private, competitive enterprise, or to put it another way, American enterprise."

### *An Important Discovery*

The campaign of education among the Chamber's own members has been going on, for some time but the general public didn't realize that it was happening until they heard Eric Johnston, the president of the chamber, make a speech early in March, copies of which, I am told, are still in great demand.

Mr. Johnston criticized labor but for every one of the "seven deadly sins" which he said labor had committed, he confessed a parallel sin committed by business.

Johnston, in making this speech and in his subsequent writings and utterances, is practicing what his organization has been preaching in the campaign they are now carrying on through the chamber's department of governmental affairs in Washington.

They provide a program which their local chapters can follow, telling how to organize discussion groups, which they point out, should include public officials, ministers, professional men and women and "believe it or not — they strongly recommend the (paid) assistance of a college professor. The purpose is the understanding of the democratic principle—free enterprise.

It was from the document compiled by one of these doctors of philosophy, Dr. V. O. Watts, economic counsel of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, that general group guidance from which I was quoting.

### *For and Against*

If confession is good for the soul, the soul of business in Olympia, Washington (where the quoted lecture was given), must be hale and hearty after hearing Dr. Watts declare:

"A city chamber of commerce opposes restrictions which neighboring towns sometimes place on deliveries of merchandise by city merchants and truckers. Yet the same organization is likely to help erect similar barriers against out-of-state or out-of-town enterprise which might compete with its own industries or merchants.

"Businessmen dislike restrictive policies of farmers and labor unions. Yet many of them say that free competition among themselve would be ruinous. So they lobby for measures to restrict business competition and to legalize price-fixing by government or by their own organizations.

"Chambers of commerce frequently join the clamor for uneconomic local projects of the state or federal government on the ground that 'other places are getting theirs; why shouldn't we get ours?' Such chamber of commerce socialism leads to increased tax burdens which correspondingly restrict markets and jobs in free enterprise."

This is the kind of strong medicine which the United States Chamber of Commerce recommends the average American to absorb so that "free enterprise" may be understood. Here is another sample of straight-from-the-shoulder talk:

"Recent corrosions of economic liberty in the United States are not due to the efforts of a few communists or fascists. Instead they chiefly come from the fact that so many of us care only about our own liberties and are indifferent or even hostile to possession of similar liberties by others of our fellow citizens. In fact, for a momentary gain in higher prices, higher wage rates or government favors, many of us are willing even to sell our own freedom."

I wish I might quote further but space does not permit it for it goes without saying that real "free enterprise," its virtues and its benefits, are expounded in great detail. But this is enough to show you a surprising degree of frankness, a remarkable willingness to think. It is something when the very people who often act contrary to their assertion that "free enterprise" is being destroyed by Tom, Dick, Harry, John (Lewis) et alia, are willing to admit that they, themselves, may be enemies of free, competitive enterprise.

### *Hitting the Trail*

When Eric Johnston arose and declared that labor and management must "hit the sawdust trail together," he started something. But actually he was only carrying on what his organization has been doing. I don't know whether he was the chicken or the egg — had already started. It is a process by which businessmen (and in businessmen, Mr. Johnston included for he is a mighty important part of the American free enterprise system) can get an understanding of what the American system of economic democracy really is and then see whether they are really supporting this American system or not.

I have no idea how successful Mr. Johnston and his colleagues will be but I know some of them are enthusiastic enough to believe that he has rendered a service which makes him eligible as a contender for the job of keynoter at the Republican National convention in June and some are even optimistic enough to provide themselves with curry combs just in case they might be called upon to groom a dark horse for the presidential race.

But politics aside, there is cause for rejoicing when anybody sets out to try to define at least one phase of the thing we are supposed to be fighting for and to do some thinking about it. As Leonard Read, general manager of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, said just a few weeks ago:

"We have come to the conclusion that the best contribution we can make to the thinking in our country is to improve our own thinking."

Amen to that.

# BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

U. S. expenditures for war purposes hit a new high in February—$7,808,000,000, as compared with $7,416,000,000 in January, an increase of 5.3 per cent.

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The cabinet of Premier Hideki Tojo has decided to postpone the elections of prefectural town and village assemblymen for one year until September, 1945.

Approximately ⅛ of the 112,000 people of Japanese ancestry evacuated from the West coast to relocation centers two years ago are now living and supporting themselves outside the centers.

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From 90,000 to 120,000 gallons of water must be distilled every day on a modern battleship for use by the men and machinery.

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## Sprinting Ostrich Clocked At 60; Cheetah Does 70

Man is proud of his speed, but nature makes him look like a snail. The ostrich has been known to sprint 60 miles an hour and can pull a sulky almost as fast as a crack pacer.

Over a short distance, the cheetah, a leopard, is the fastest four-legged animal alive. In London it was clocked at 70 miles an hour. Almost unbelievable is the speed attributed by scientists to an insect called the deer fly, 818 miles an hour.

The despised flea, best jumper for its size on earth, can spring 200 times its own length. A human being would have to jump a quarter of a mile to match it.


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# Fabric-Wise Women Insist That Their Washables Be Color-Fast

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



NOW that the "make your own" hobby is gaining momentum right along, the challenge has come to women who sew to know their fabrics. This is as easily done as said, for nowadays a fabric is known by the guarantee label it carries. So look to your labels, ladies, when buying materials and you won't have to repeat that time-worn question, "Does it wash?"

Now that enthusiasm is so rampant in regard to home sewing, interest in fabrics is soaring to a new high. And well it may, for after you have put in time and effort and stitches 'twould be a sorry plight indeed to find that your energy has been wasted on poor material that fails to make the grade in respect to color-fastness and non-shrinkable virtues.

Added to the charm and fascination of the winsome fashions shown here is the fact of the dependableness of the everfast fabrics of which they are made. Such combinations as the red chambray bodice with white dirndl skirt, as shown to the left, is perfectly color-safe and you'll admit it's charming to a point beyond all the eloquent adjectives one might be tempted to use to describe it.

This season, washable black cottons make their appearance along with color mixtures, as in the two-piecer centered above in the group. Its artful styling reflects peasant inspiration. The skirt ties on with a black drawstring sash. The plaid gingham used for the neck scarf comes in pink, yellow or green with black markings.

Speaking of the new vogue for black wash fabrics, the smartest dressed women are quite taken with the idea of town suits made of black washable shantungs and linen-finish weaves. Highlighted with snowy white eyelet embroidery edgings the black cotton costumes are the best looking ever. There is a fad also for black sateen pinafores both for children and grown-ups.

The young bride who likes to do her own marketing but prefers to skip the home laundry complex, can send such cottons as the ribbered waffle pique used for the making of the dress shown to the right, to any boom-town laundry, knowing it will come back fresh and unfaded. Being an everfast fabric that is both sude and sun-proof, it won't shrink over 2 per cent at the most. Here you see this gay flower patterned cotton styled in a simple market or picnic dress with a pocket made of one of the gorgeously colorful blossoms cut from the print and appliqued on the bodice.

Fancy turns to cottons for all-purpose wear this year more so than ever. Checked and plaid ginghams, always gay-colored favorites, are being made up into stunning town suits and dresses with a styling that is as sophisticated as that usually associated with stereotyped wool suitings. Then too, ginghams are making a big fashion name for themselves by taking on glitter in form of colorful sequins or jet highlights as blithely they go to dinner dance and to summer evening parties.

The new pinafore dresses flaunt eye-thrilling glazed chintz as gay as a summer flower garden in full bloom. All white cottons also score in a number of weaves, prominent among which are eyeleted effects and piques. Lovely beyond words are the new bordered effects that plant huge roses on white and pastel monotone backgrounds.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## Color-Bright Tweed



Suits and coats have gone dramatically color-conscious this spring. You will not be over-doing it no matter how striking a color you choose for your tweeds or your gabardines, or any of the smart wools that go to make up your suits and ensembles. The picture presents a new version of a chic coat and skirt twosome. It is tailored of a nubby tweed in a delectable turquoise shade. The little detachable cape is its important talking feature in that the coat can be worn with or without it. Capes are big news this season. Sleeveless dresses have wee little shoulder capes and new cape suits are tres chic.

## Black Satin for Hat, Shoes, Everything

New in the mode is the use of black satin for everything from hats to shoes including in the list gloves and handbags. Worn with bright printed frocks or pastel wools there's a refreshing newness about this style trend that is most welcome. Then too, brief coats of the topper or Mandarin type rank high in fashion. It is predicted that they will be smartly in vogue this summer. The black satin suit is having many calls this spring. With it snowy frills galore will be worn. Pink-tinted lace collar and cuff sets are also effective. Frequently the trim little jacket is fastened with elaborate jewelry-like buttons. The black satin beret is perhaps the most outstanding type although the tiny sailor of satin is excellent style. With gloves to match this ensemble adds the perfect note to either the suit or a gay-colored frock.

## Bolero Suits in Navy Teamed with White, Pink

It's turning out to be a big navy season. Bolero suits in navy are outstanding in the spring fashion picture. These team up with the new snowy frilly neckwear and blouses to perfection. However, the big news is that pink hats, pink neckwear and pink gloves are the smart accompaniment to navy costumes. To complete the ensemble they are showing large handbags either drawstring or envelope type made of kidskin dyed in the new tissue pink.

## Berets and Sailors

Your new beret or tiny sailor, to get the right fashion slant, must be worn at a rakish angle, especially the beret which shows the hair at one side of the head and almost conceals it at the other. The new sideline hats are quite a sensation and they are very flattering

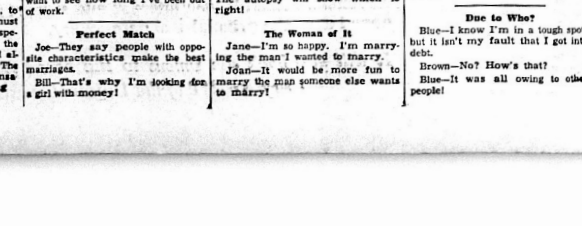
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Bill—Did you ever do any public speaking?

Joe—I'll say. I proposed to a girl in the country on a party line!

**Social Security**

Clerk—You want a copy of your birth certificate?

Shifless—Yes. I want some information for this questionaire. I want to see how long I've been out of work.

**Perfect Match**

Joe—They say people with opposite characteristics make the best marriages.

Bill—That's why I'm looking for a girl with money!

**Goodby!!**

Joe—What's your hurry?

Bill—I've got to catch the 8:30 train.

Joe—But it's only 7:30 now.

Bill—I know, but I have to figure on several people stopping me and asking me why I'm hurrying.

**Lovely Voice, Too**

Jones—I wonder why your wife sings that tune all the time.

Smith—She told me it haunted her.

Jones—It ought to the way she murders it!

**Comforting Thought**

Jerry—None of the doctors seem to be able to agree in their diagnosis of my illness.

Harry—Well, I wouldn't worry. The autopsy will show which is right!

**The Woman of It**

Jane—I'm so happy. I'm marrying the man I wanted to marry.

Joan—It would be more fun to marry the man someone else wants to marry!

**ONE FOR ALL**



Mrs.—Why did you buy a Dachshund for the children?

Mr.—So they all can pet him at once!

**Poor Papa**

Sonny—Dad, what's leisure?

Daddy—Leisure, my son, is the two minutes' rest a man gets while his wife finds something else for him to do!

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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 ¼ 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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## Baptist Group Are Holding Services in Mall Saturday

The Baptist Young People's Inspirational services are continuing each Saturday night at the bandstand in the mall. The speaker is Floyd Myers, cadet at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, former student at Moody Bible Institute.

Gospel singing forms a part of the evening's program, with Miss Winifred Demorest, piano accompanist.

Following the service, a fellowship hour for servicemen and their wives is held in the basement of the church.

### MISS JEUTHER UNDERGOES OPERATION

The condition of Miss Martha Jeuther, who underwent an operation for the amputation of her left leg in a Tampa hospital Thursday morning is satisfactory, her many friends will be gratified to learn. Miss Jeuther has been in ill health for the past several weeks. Miss Margaretha Vogt, who has spent several days in Tampa to be near her bedside, returned home Friday.

## Tom W. Dobson USO Director at Conference

Tom W. Dobson, director of the Avon Park USO, left Thursday for New Orleans, La., to attend a conference and refresher course being held there beginning Apr. 24 thru May 5. Mr. Dobson was honored by his selection, as only six directors from four of the southern states were chosen to participate in the conference. Enroute to New Orleans, he visited in Tallahassee, where he was assistant USO director, prior to coming to Avon Park. During Mr. Dobson's absence, Miss Patricia Barry, assistant director, will be in charge.

## Conference For Pre-School Age To Be April 26

Infant-Preschool conferences are held every fourth Wednesday of the month between 12:30-2:00 p. m., at the Health Department, city hall, Avon Park.

At these conferences the well baby and preschool child is examined; immunizations are done to protect the child against diptheria, smallpox, and typhoid fever; instructions are given for the normal development of the child.

Children who are entering school in the Fall are especially being urged to attend, so that the necessary corrections may be made before he starts to school in September.

The next conference is being held April 26, 1944. Dr. James H. Wells, director of the Highlands County Health Department, Sebring, will be in charge.

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### BOB MASSEY NOT TO LEAVE FOR ARMY APR. 25

Robert Massey, who was to have gone Sunday to Fort McPherson, Ga., for induction into the army, was notified this week that he would not have to report on that date. The stay is temporary, according to Massey, but it will at least give him time to stick around and see how he comes out in his constable race.

## Church Notes

### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

W. D. Croft, pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Young Peoples Service 7:15 P. M.
Evening Preaching Service 8:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 8:00 P. M.

### THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)

Rev. John Ellis Daley, Rector
Services Sunday
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion.
11:00 A. M. Church School and Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Week Days
10:00 A. M. Holy Communion: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days.

### UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00
Wednesday "Quiet Hour" Service 8:00 P. M.
Nursery school during Sunday morning worship for children four or under.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. O. E. Burton, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Training Union 6:45 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday 8:00 P. M. Prayer Service. (This is the hour of power).

### THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Young People's Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8 P. M.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 P. M.

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Evangelistic Service 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday, Bible study, 8:00 P. M. by Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas.

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning worship 10:55 a. m.; Sermon topic: "His Presence."
Youth Fellowship Meeting, 7:15 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.; Sermon topic: "Our Father . . ."
Wednesday 8:00 p. m., Mid-week service.

### CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"Probation After Death" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, April 23.

The Golden Text is: "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death" (I Cor. 15:26).

Among the citations which comprisee the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and for knowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses" (Acts 2:22,23,32).

## Unique Service to Be Held at First Baptist Church

A Servicemen's Request Hymn Sing, believed to be the first of its kind held in the south, will be conducted at the First Baptist Church in Avon Park, Sunday evening, April 30 at 8:00 p. m. Favorite hymns of 58 service members of the church will be sung by the congregation, young people's chorus, adult choir, male quartette, ladies trio and in duets. Soloists will be Paul Zylstra, violinist; Bernice Stilwell, soprano; and Lt. Tracy, denor. Pianists will be Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., and Mrs. E. C. Wever, supported by several members of the high school band.

Rev. O. E. Burton, pastor, will deliver an inspirational address midway of the program. The committee, in charge of S. F. Longbottom, is planning on a large crowd to attend this musical treat.

## Many Passengers Use Busses For Transportation

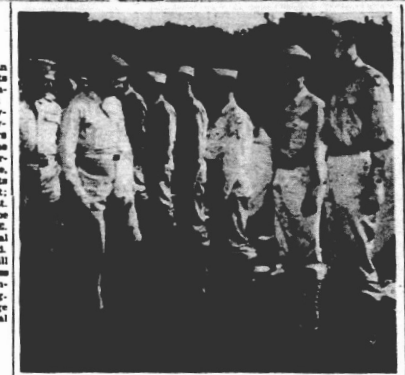
More than half of all passengers using any form of public transportation between cities last year rode on the country's 23,474 highway buses, the National Association of Motor Bus Operators announced today.

Passenger traffic on intercity buses reached a record-breaking high of 965 million in 1943, according to the association's findings. This total represents a gain of 39.1 per cent over 1942 and is two and one-half times the riders of any peacetime year.

One-hundred and seventy-five of the nation's major bus lines accounted for 783 million of last year's passengers, while smaller operations contributed another 180 million. Reports of the larger operators show that while they carried 42.1 per cent more passengers, their operating mileage increased only 11.3 per cent.

The figures are based upon conservative projections of Interstate Commerce Commission reports which have been completed through November, 1943.

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THE CRUCIAL MOMENT — Col. Clint T. Johnson, (commander of APAAF and Major C. W. Wade, Executive Officer, inspecting military personnel, their tents and field equipment at the inspection held recently. According to Col. Johnson the inspection was satisfactory. Clean uniforms, shined shoes, brass and polished faces were prevalent for this occasion.



STRIKE TENTS—At the recent field inspection at APAAF, this group of enlisted men in Base Detachment 1, Commanded by Captain Billy D. Mitchell, were caught by photogs a few seconds after receiving the command from Capt. Mitchell to strike tents. Tents fell as though a tornado had gone through the area.
—Official U. S. A. A. F. Photos From HIGH SCORE.

### GARBER ATTENDS STATE MEETING

J. Paul Garber, member of the county school board was in Daytona Beach Wednesday, where he attended the annual state meeting convening there this week. T. A. Cason of Lorida, another member of the board was also in attendance at the meeting.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

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# Senator Wm. [Bill] Cliett's

Service in the upper house of Florida's Legislature. Our senator "went after" this for Highlands county—just as he promised he would four years ago—and shoved it through the 1944 senate when odds were 10 to 1 against him. A fund of $150,000 is available to build the hospital. He was smart enough to outwit the northwest Florida senators and "out trade" them. that's the kind of man we want representing us in the Senate—a fellow smart enough to get what he goes after.

## Cliett Did His Part

(Paid political ad. published by Highlands County friends of Bill Cliett.)



# MR. CITRUS GROWER:

Preliminary reports indicate that Senator Pepper will be elected in the first primary. Won't you show your appreciation for the good work done for the Citrus Industry by Senator Pepper by voting for him May 2nd.

Political advertisement paid for by Ridge friends of Senator Pepper



ELECT STATE SENATOR

# RAYMOND SHELDON our GOVERNOR

*A Man of*
VIGOR and VISION
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# ATTENTION VOTERS




Guarantee for our *FIGHTING* sons and daughters the

# RIGHT TO WORK

**Without forcing them to join a union**

RE-ELECT THE CANDIDATE WHO IS FIGHTING FOR THE RIGHT TO WORK —AND VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE AMENDMENT TO OUR STATE CONSTITUTION WHICH ABOLISHES CLOSED SHOP$ BUT PRESERVES COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY UNIONS



J. TOM WATSON
*Attorney General*

Let's preserve Organized Labor through Collective Bargaining rather than through the closed shop, and let's give our people, including our returning fighting men and women, the right to work and earn a living without paying big initiation fees for jobs.

The Right to Work Amendment to the Constitution of Florida to be voted on next November demands your interest and support if you believe in the right kind of unions based upon the principles of democracy.

*It will give back the Unions to the honest working members—and GUARANTEE every RIGHT of the Union Man existing under our Constitution.*

# THE SUN

VOLUME XIX--NUMBER 24 — AVON PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1944 — THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929 — THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY PILOT, Established Nov. 28, 1919—Consolidated Dec. 1, 1943


Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

Herbert Todd, who has been in the air corps and stationed at Turner Field, Albany, Ga., has been transferred to the infantry, and is now at Camp Rucker, Alabama.

Pvt. Charles Lawhead, stationed at Daniel Field, Augusta, Ga., has received the championship athletic award for outstanding ability in physical fitness.

Pvt. Floyd Pope, paratrooper, stationed at Camp McCall, N. C., visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pope last week.

E. W. (Sport) Mercer., pharmacists mate, first class, U. S. navy, who has been stationed at Parris Island, S. C., for the past two years, has been transferred to Plymouth, Va., where he will undergo six weeks advanced training.

Ensign Jack Besler, who has been spending a two weeks leave here, left Tuesday for the naval air base in Jacksonville, where he is stationed. Ensign Besler, who received his wings and commission at Corpis Christi, Texas, and his operational training in Jacksonville, will remain at the naval base in Jacksonville as an instructor.

Donald Todd, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd., who has been employed as apprentice at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, Newport News for the past three years, was inducted into the navy, in Newport News Thursday. He will be assigned to a naval base to begin his boot training as a radio technician. He returned to Newport News the first of the week, after a few days visit here at his home.

Jack Williams, S 1|c U. S. Navy has just returned to the states from somewhere in Ireland. He says the people there were very interesting to talk to, though at times they talked so fast, you could not understand them. He also said the girls were crazy for chewing gum and candy, as they had none over there.

### Candidates In County File Expense Accounts

The primary election campaign thus far has cost county candidates $8786.63, S. E. Booth, clerk of county commissioners revealed yesterday in releasing expense account totals turned into his office.

Tuesday at midnight was the deadline for candidates to turn in expense reports before the primary next Tuesday.

Eight of the Highlands county office seekers were without opposition, but running for office cost them money, too.

Their filing fees contributed in large share to their expense accounts.

Those men without opposition and their expense accounts were as follows:

H. T. Piety, county clerk, $325.-80; Roland Droit, supervisor of registration, $77.50; Charles Lanier, state representative, $45; P. G. Gearing, tax assessor, $325; M. H. McDonald, county attorney, $120; Tom Boseman, constable, $11; J. H. Hood, county commissioner, $60 and N. B. Jackson, ,county commissioner, $60.

Slimmer candidates expenses were as follows: Tom Dimberline, $410.-20; Doyle Schumacher, $398.45; E. G. Long, $394 and W. A. Roberts, $387.75.

Jim Melton's expenses were $618.14 and Fred Wiltz's expenses $477.80. Both are candidates for superintendent of public instruction.

In the county judge's race, S. Colquitt Pardee turned in an account of $413 and Howard Livingston, $306.95.

In the tax collecor's race, Frank "Hotshot" Armistead turned in expenses of $321.72; Phillp Correll, $271.66, and Dan Young, $280.

In the constable race, expenses were as follows: R. S. Massey, $136; Wiley Sauls, $66.50; Thomas Wells, $106.80; A. A. Bates, $31.80; Hudson Yarbrough, $22.40; Clyde Chapman, $18.96; George Collier, $27.15; Myles Tucker, $14.30 and Thomas E. Wilson, $21.55.

For justice of the peace, candidates expenses were as follows: F. M. Young, $3.15; W. L. Long, $3.60; Alton Elder, $47.50 and Troy Cox, $57.50.

In the commissioner's races, expenses were as follows: George E. Sebring, $87; Arthur Tubbs, $92; Sol McClelland, $118; R. L. Stokes, $110; Lewis Pollard, $88; A. C. McAuley, $74.90; Claude Cass, $65, T. L. Simpson, $92, and L. L. Henderson, $70.50.

J. P. "Dad" Lighthiser spent $47.50 in the campaign for member of the school board in District 2 and the incumbent T. V. Conway spent $45.

Mrs. M. A. Post and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Stella Martin spent last week end in Miami.

## Rodeo To Be Shown Here June 3 and 4

### Sponsored by H. S. Athletic Association

A two-day Rodeo, with three big contest shows, will be staged at the new football field June 3 and 4, it was announced today by Billy Keen and Butch Carter, who will produce the show. The rodeo is being sponsored by the High School Athletic Association, and funds derived will be used for improving the football field, Carter announced.

Open contests in bronc riding, trick riding, bull-dogging, calf roping, bull riding, and trick roping will be featured in the three performances which will be held Saturday afternoon, June 3 at 2:30, Saturday night at 8:00, and Sunday afternoon, June 4, at 2:30. The sponsors are offering prize money of $600 to attract rodeo performers, and have announced headline performers of statewide and national reputation who will take part.

Among these are: Otis Cowart, of Center Hill, former all Florida champion calf roper; Oscar Clements of Venus in this county present all Florida champion calf roping champion roper; Pete Clements, also of Venus, present all Florida champion bull rider; Claude Tindall, of Davis, a professional calf roper from the West; Fay and Vic Blackstone, Midland, Texas, roping artists — Vic Blackstone won the championship calf roping at Orlando at the quarter horse show in January this year, and Fay, his wife, is champion trick rider of state of Nebraska. Vic Blackstone will be arena director. Among featured entertainers are Chief Durant, of Durant, Okla., bull dosser and bronc rider; Mildred Murphy, known in Avon Park for her educated horse, Bubs; Billy King in his exhibit of the Roman standing jump over an automobile with two horses, with one foot on each horse's back, as he leaps over the automobile; Ralph Clark, champion horse roper from Chickshaw, Okla., now stationed at AP AAF; and Alex, the world champion clown trick rider, with his one-eyed horse, will entertain.

Rodeo performers will give a parade Saturday afternoon at one o'clock. Matched horse racing is announced for Sunday afternoon.

### Court of Honor For Boy Scouts Monday, May 1

A Boy Scout Court of Honor composed of Messrs. E. G. Todd, chairman, Paul Garber, M. E. Jordon, M. V. Pilcher, T. J. Ward, M. C. Whitcomb and A. B. Wilhite will be held at the High School Auditorium Monday, May 1st, 8:00 P. M.

Eight new Scouts — Edgar Rutherford, Billy Rutledge, Adam McGuinness, Billy McQuire, Billy Cravey, Orran Meeks, Zane V. Hill and Eldred Bass will be invested with Tenderfoot rank.

Julius Collins, John Post, Jas. Howell, Jas. Barrington, Billy Rutledge and Adam McGuinness will be advanced to Second Class rank and Harold and Glenn Reeder will move up to First Class rank.

Harold Garrett will become a Star, Garth Spencer and Ted Ward, Life, and Roger Sappington an Eagle Scout.

Merit Badges will be awarded to Glen Reeder, Dick Stodden, Ted Ward, George Harper, Harold Garrett, Roger Sappington, Garth Spencer and Wofford Stidham.

Mr. David L. Liles, Scout Executive of the Gulf Ridge Council, will conduct the ceremony for investing Roger Sappington with the coveted rank of Eagle Scout.

Moving pictures taken at the Bok Tower Campore will be shown. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Troop 57 had an overnight outing at the Municipal Beach Friday and Saturday last week. Their program included cooking, passing tests, campfire, games and swimming.

The Troop did its good turn by cleaning up the beach, sweeping out the dressing booths and picking up broken glass, bottles and scraps of food which had been left by people using the beach. The Scouts deplored the vandalism which had been committed by some nit-wits who had used the dressing room doors for targets and shot holes through them with buckshot.

### Voting Places in Avon Park's Three Precincts

Avon Park Precinct 1: Sun Court building; W. T. Connell, clerk; Emmanuel Hodgebeth, T. J. Ward, Solveig Gerrard, inspectors; E. B. Wilson, sheriff.

Avon Park Precinct 1-A: Green Fuel office; Francis Shockley, clerk; Hoyt Tatum, Ray Masters, Mrs. G. A. Stebbins, inspectors; T. A. Childers, sheriff.

Avon Park Precinct 1-B: I. H. Ford's garage; Kenneth Harris, clerk; Charles Barnett, W. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Ernest Elder, inspectors, Alderman Williams, sheriff.

### Annual Convention Episcopal Diocese Held in Lakeland

The 22nd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of South Florida was held in Lakeland on April 25, 26 and 27th, with about 400 delegates and representatives in attendance.

The Diocese of South Florida, with its Cathedral See in Orlando, embraces that part of Florida from Daytona Beach to Key West. It consists of one Bishop, The Rt. Rev. John D. Wing, D. D.; 85 Parochial and Missionary Priests, and some 23,000 communicants.

The convention was opened on Tuesday evening with a service in All Saints Church, Lakeland, at which time the Bishop read his annual report to the Diocese. One of the most inspirational parts of the service was the procession of Clerics and all of the attending Priests, fully vested.

At the same time as the Convention the Diocesan Branch of the Women's Auxiliary had its regular Convention, and, The Church of the Redeemer, Avon Park, was not without goodly representation. Delegates and representatives of this church to the convention were The Rev. John Ellis Daley, Col. Dan M. Ellis, Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, Mrs. Demos Mandia, Mrs. Sue Gregory, Mrs. Charles Kenney, and Mrs. Stewart Thayer.

The Bishop, in his address, made recognition of the progress of the Church of the Redeemer, and especial notice was made of the freeing of the debt on the Parish House through the generosity of Mr. John S. Francis.

Additional honor came to the local church when Mrs. Charles Kenney was elected by the Convention to be one of the representatives to the Provincial Synod of the Women's Auxiliary, which will be held in Nashville, Tennessee early in October. The convention also elected Mrs. M. V. Pilcher as District Representative of the Women's' Auxiliary, and Mrs. W. S. Betts as Diocesan Custodian of the United Thank Offering, which is used to help support the missionary work of the Episcopal Church.

### Music Department to Give Operetta Thursday, May 4

The music dapartment of the elementary school will present the Operetta, "Little Red Riding Hood," in the High School Auditorium, Thursday night, May the 4th, at eight o'clock.

The music is under the direction of Mrs. Frank Morgan, County Music Teacher, assisted by the teachers of the school. Children from the first grade through the sixth will take part in choruses, solo parts, and dances, and will depict such well known characters as "Little Miss Muffett," "Little Bo-peep" and other Mother Goose personages, dear to the hearts of all children. The second graders under the direction of Mrs. Georgia Dinnison and Miss Lynn Adams will entertain with numbers by their rhythm bands between the acts.

The price of admission will be fifty cents for adults and twenty-five cents for children.

The proceeds of the evenings entertainment will be used in the purchase of new books or other necessary equipment for this departmental work.

**CORRECTION**

In last week's Sun there was an article quoting Hugh Jones' statement on "Capital and Labor." Through an error the statement was attributed to Claude Jones, who is Hugh Jones' brother. Claude is operating an abstract business in Arcadia and is not a candidate. The article should have been credited to Hugh Gilbert Jones, who is a candidate for the state senate from this district.

**WCTU TO MEET THURSDAY**

The W. C. T. U. will meet Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock at the First Methodist Church. All members and visitors invited to attend.

## Pepper Talks To Largest Crowd Here

### To Wind Up Campaign on Radio Monday

Senator Claude Pepper made his first and only appearance in Avon Park during the present campaign Thursday, and spoke to an enthusiastic audience in the mall. His was the largest crowd that has turned out to meet any speaker in the campaign. He received his record of service, and asked to be sent back to the Senate on his platform of "win the war and win the peace."

The eyes of the world are being focused upon the outcome of this election, he said, because a vote for Pepper is a vote of confidence in the administration and the Commander-in-Chief of our fighting forces. "Nothing could give greater comfort to the enemy than a defeat, which would be broadcast by the Germans and the Japs as an indication of disunity and dissatisfaction with our leadership," he declared.

Pepper stressed his close friendship with the President, his membership on important committees, among them the Foreign Relation Committee, which will "write the peace," and his membership on the special Senate committee on Post-war Planning, where he will use his efforts to prevent another depression, and incidentally be in position to help Florida cities and industry in obtaining a fair share of governmental assistance, and help in getting jobs for returning veterans.

Following his address, he was a luncheon guest of a group at the Jacaranda hotel, and left here for Frostproof and other towns in this section to continue his speaking.

Senator Pepper will wind up his campaign with radio addresses Monday night. He will speak from Miami over two Florida networks. The Mutual network broadcast from 7:30 to 8:00 p. m. will cover Stations WFLW Miami, WPDQ Jacksonville, WTSP St. Petersburg, WRUF Gainesville, WTAL Tallahassee, WTMC Ocala, with playback on WWPG West Palm Beach from 11:00 to 11:30 p. m. The Columbia network broadcast from 10:30 to 10:45 will cover Stations WQAM Miami, WMBR Jacksonville, WFOY St. Augustine, WTMC Ocala, WTOF Orlando, WDLP Panama City, WCOA Pensacola, WJNO Palm Beach, WSUN St. Petersburg, WTAL Tallahassee, WLAK Lakeland, WAAC Fort Myers, WBPB Sarasota, WMFJ Daytona Beach WRUF Gainesville and WFLA Tampa.

### Baptist Business Women's Circle Met Monday Night

The Business Women's Circle of the Baptist missionary society met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. S. J. Pendleton. Mrs. C. W. Pabor, leader, conducted a short business meeting, and Mrs. Pendleton taught the lesson from Genesis, third chapter, with all the members taking part.

Additional chairmen of committees appointed at this time included Mrs. Brisco Willis, benevolent and aid; Miss Flo Wilcox, social; Mrs. Sam Howell, white cross, and Mrs. J. E. Crosby, secretary-treasurer, and publicity chairman.

The hostess served fruit juice and cookies to those present who were Mrs. C. W. Pabor, Mrs. Sam Howell, Mrs. Frank Cosine, Miss Flo Wilcox, Mrs. R. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Brisco Willis, and Mrs. J. E. Crosby.

**CAINS BUY McFARLAND HOME**

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cain have purchased the W. W. McFarland home on Lake Lotela, and moved there Monday. The house is a six room, two story structure with the front extending from the highway to the lake. Mr. and Mrs. McFarland, who built the house a few years ago, have moved to Bradenton. The Cains sold their home, in the western part of the city, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strenth.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr. and daughter, Nancy spent last week end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn in St. Petersburg. They returned home by Zephyrhills, where Mrs. Ginn and Nancy have remained for a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. F. W. Ames.

## High School Band Receives Good Inspection Rating

Avon Park's forty-two piece high school band was awarded division two rating in march, required and selected numbers; and placed in first division in sight reading at the State Band Inspection, held in the auditorium Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Major J. B. O'Neal, Miss Pierce, a member of the State Bandmaster's Association, was present to judge the band and make the awards.

The sight reading numbers, announced just before the music was handed to the director, Miss Barbara Betts and the band members, were "Primrose Overture" and "Honor Roll March." On the rating slip, Major O'Neal had marked "Very good conducting. Players have complete confidence in your work." He complimented the band on their stage conduct, appearance, and confidence. Sight reading, Major O'Neal said is really a test of musicianship, as nearly any band can practice long enough on a piece to play it well."

"The band has great possibilities." A better blending of the necessary instruments would add much to the tonal quality of this band," Major O'Neal indicated on one of the rating slips.

Prof. P. J. Gustat of Sebring, president of the Florida Bandmaster's Association was present and addressed the group.

The inspection and judging, as took place Tuesday afternoon, is the wartime substitute for the annual state music contest. The public was invited to attend the program.

### 5206 Registered Democrats Ready To Vote Tuesday

A total of 5,206 Democratic voters have qualified to vote in the primary election next Tuesday in Highlands county, R. X. Droit, supervisor of registration, announced yesterday.

Of this number, the largest registration was for Sebring, where 1,992 Democrats qualified. A total of 1,910 Democrats qualified in Avon Park precincts. Fifty-one Republicans and four Independents registered to make a total registration of 3,261 voters registered in the county.

Registrations of Democrats by precincts was as follows:

Avon Park Precinct No. 1, 607; 1-A, 672; 1-B, 631; Sebring, No. 2, 856; 2-A, 499; 2-B, 637; DeSoto City Precinct No. 3, 263; Lake Placid No. 4, 530; Venus No. 5, 124; Hicoria No. 6, 33; Bassinger No. 7, 58; Brighton, No. 8, 21 and Lorida No. 9, 275.

Polls all over the county will open at 7 a. m. next Tuesday and close at sundown, which is approximately 7:40 p. m.

Residents of the county who expect to be outside the state next Tuesday already have begun voting on absentee ballots in the office of County Judge T. A. McNicholas.

Absentee voting by civilians will end tomorrow, the judge said. Forty-five absentee ballots had been cast by Tuesday. Residents of the county who will be outside the county but not outside the state on May 2 may go to the polls in whatever county they may be visiting that day, and using the write-in procedure on county races cast Highlands county ballots which will be mailed to Judge McNicholas. However, they must have their registration certified by the local registration office, and present it at the place they vote.

As to service men's votes, only those received before the polls close next Tuesday may be counted, according to Secretary of State R. A. Gray. Of the 54 ballots sent out, 13 had been returned by Tuesday Judge McNicholas said.

### Baptist Circle Met Monday at Wever Home

Circle number two of the W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church met with Mrs. E. C. Wever Monday afternoon at 3:30. After the business meeting, Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr. taught the Bible study lesson from the book of Genesis.

Those present were Mrs. E. C. Wever, the hostess, Mrs. Chas Clements, Mrs. J. W. Mercer, Mrs. R. L. Adams, Mrs. R. E. Crow, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., and Mrs. O. C. Wilkes.

**WAR BONDS SELL FOR CASH AT BASE FINANCE**

## Bailey Favors Referendum On Board Salaries

I wish to call your attention to a Referendum bill passed at the last Legislature entitled, "An Act Regulating and Fixing the Compensation to be paid members of the Board of Public Instruction of Highlands County, Florida."

The bill provides $800 per year which has been received for several years by the Board Members.

The Board of Public Instruction is one of your most important Boards in the county and the men on the Board have to give considerable time to this work in carrying out their responsibilities.

For years, a large number of counties in the state have been paying the Board members a salary of $1200 a year.

There are some counties which pay considerably more. Our adjoining county — Hardee, pays its Board members $900 a year.

Having been your School Superintendent for nearly twenty years and knowing the responsibility which is placed on the Board members, and the great importance of their work, I would like to see this matter of their salaries definitely settled and I cannot help but feel that they are certainly worth not less than an annual salary of $800 as the bill calls for.

Highlands County School Board has supervision of one hundred and seventy-eight employees and the upkeep of the entire school plants in the county. They are responsible for the expenditure in round numbers of $250,000.00 which comes from county taxed, district taxes, State and Federal appropriations.

Their combined salaries would be one percent of the money handled.

The records show that the school system of our county ranks among the best in the state and the amount of money spent on Board members' salaries has been a good investment.

Your Board members have always been faithful and deeply interested in the welfare and upbuilding of the schools.

F. N. K. Bailey
Superintendent Public Instruction
Highlands County.

### Forty White Men Leave Monday For Camp Blanding

Forty white men will leave Monday for Camp Blanding for a pre-induction physical examination.

Those are Walter Edwin Brunson, John Robert Johnson, Milton Ray Ramer, Willie Whitlock, Norman James Weinzirl, Dewilton Williams, James Wilburn Childs, James Hill, Elsworth Ray Roberts, Jackson O'Neal, Louie Singletary, Albert Menford Moree, Thomas Alfred LaFlam, Jr, James Richard Selph, and Dorsey Lee Roberson of Avon Park; Luegene Harvey Pollard, Earl Leroy Layport, Sidney Pollard and Donald Tauchen of DeSoto City; Thomas Alfred Pollard and Samuel Williams of Lake Placid; Harold Edward McClelland and Charles Raleigh Ward of Lorida, Alfred Roy Hendry and M. Doyle Prescott of Venus.

More are James B. Bozeman of Arcadia; Bemory Lee Pearce of Brighton; Fred Horace Thomas of Okeechobee; James C. Still of Ft. Pierce; Monroe James McCullough of Perry; Frank Earl Grenshaw of Ruskin; David L. Waldron of Homeland; Howell Jack Pattishall of Unadilla, Ga.; Van Vechton Parton of Brookfield, Ga.; James Pruitt Daughtery of Homerville, Ga.; Walter Hunter Lingerfelt, Jr., of Sarasota; Ralph Gliddon Jackson of Biloxi, Miss and Harold Robert Cooley of Jerome, Mich.

The following men have been transferred: Wallace Piety of Wheeling, W. Va., Lamar Edison Carter of Blackshear, Ga., John Samuel Brumfield of Nicolasville, Ky., Percy G. Silcox of Moore Haven, Andre Boney of Starke, David Marcus Korn of Washington, D. C., George Emory Gray of Goshen, N. Y., and Walter Thadus Dunn Jr., of Miami, were transferred to Sebring. Alton Q. Jones of Columbia, Miss., transferred to Avon Park and Andrew Smoak Grady of Frankfort, Ky., transferred to Lake Placid.

**EPISCOPAL AUXILIARY TO MEET WEDNESDAY**

The Episcopal Church Woman's Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. Alexander Gilmour at the Covington house on Wednesday afternoon, April 3 at 3:00 P. M. Report of the convention held in Lakeland last week will be given.

## Candidates In Final Rally at Lake Angelo

### Polls Open at 7 A. M.; Close at 7:40 P. M.

The polls for the May Democratic primary next Tuesday will be opened at 7:00 A. M., and will be closed about 7:40 P. M. Keen interest is being manifested in the returns this year, as there are a number of candidates for important offices in local political circles; as well as a state-wide state that is creating much lively interest. It is expected that full returns on most of the county races will not be in until midnight.

County candidates and several candidates for state offices spoke to the large group attending the third and last of the political rallies, sponsored by the county Democratic committee at Lake Angelo, between Avon Park and Sebring last Saturday morning. Over 3,000 persons attended. The other two rallies were held at Lake Placid and Venus and drew large crowds.

Bert Bassinger, chairman of the County Democratic committee, was master of ceremonies, and a truck equipped with a public address system was set up beside the lake in the shade of the trees, the truck forming the speaker's platform.

Most of the candidates for county offices were present, and each spoke briefly, making their appeal to the voters. A large majority of the state candidates were represented at the rally, several of them appearing in person.

Raymond Sheldon of Tampa, candidate for governor, was the only one in this race, appearing in person. Mabry Carlton of Waucomia, tax assessor of Hardee county spoke in behalf of Millard Caldwell of Tallahassee, candidate for governor, and Senator Ernest Graham of Miami was represented by W. C. Brooker of Tampa, former department commander of the American Legion.

Judge J. Ollie Edmunds of Jacksonville and Millard Conklin, Daytona Beach, candidates for U. S. senator were present. Senate Claude Pepper, candidate for reelection, was ably represented by Gordon "Gabby" Knowles of Bradenton, past commander of the American Legion, department of Florida.

J. M. Lee, state comptroller, and Mrs. Lee were present mingling with the crowd, and their "home county" friends but Comptroller Lee did not speak from the rostrum. E. P. Martin, Plant City candidate for attorney general, was present and spoke.

The four candidates for state senate were present. They are William (Bill) Cliett, Bowling Green; A. J. "Al" Dunham, Arcadia; Hugh Jones, Arcadia, and Wilbur King, Zolfo Springs.

Two of the county's eight candidates unopposed for election appeared on the speaker's platform. They were C. B. Lanier, nominee for state representative, who introduced one of the state candidates, and M. R. McDonald, county attorney.

### Mrs. Mary Thigpen Resigns as Manager Housing Project

Mrs. Mary J. Thigpen, who has been with the Federal Public Housing Authority for a number of years, and has been housing manager for the W. H. Woodruff Heights project since it opened, has tendered her resignation to become effective April 30. She resigned, she said, in order to devote more time to other interests.

Ed Travis of Atlanta, acting housing manager and advisor, will take over the management of the project until Mrs. Thigpen's successor is appointed.

Mrs. Thigpen wishes to express her sincere appreciation to the civic organizations, business people and everyone, who has cooperated with her in every way, in her position as manager of the project.

Mr. and Mrs. Thigpen and son will continue to make their home in Avon Park, having purchased a home here. Mrs. Thigpen will be connected with the housing project in the Maintenance department.

**GARAGES TO CLOSE SATURDAY AFTERNOONS**

Effective May 1, I. H. Ford Motor company, Wells Motor company, and Avon Park Motor company will close their garages at 12:00 noon each Saturday throughout the summer.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Russian Blitz Clears Crimea Path as Allied Bombers Pound Western Europe; 'Stop Aiding Nazis' Neutrals Warned; Japs Press 3-Pronged Drive in India

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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Italy—New Zealand troops close on German sniper in Cassino ruins.

## EUROPE:
### *Invasion Path*

While Russia's land armies carried the war into the Balkans, Allied bombers continued pounding Axis military and industrial installations throughout Fortress Europe, concentrating on the invasion path in the west.

As the Russians stormed into Rumania, other Red forces drove ahead in the Crimea, huge chunk of land thrust into the Black sea and guarding the water route to the eastern Balkans. As the Russians approached the Rumanian rail junction of Jassi, they encountered stiffening resistance from native troops, fighting by the side of German soldiers, strengthened by shorter defense lines.

In continuing their whirlwind assaults to smoothen an invasion path, Allied bombers struck at airfields, railroad junctions and military defenses throughout the French and Belgium area. Far to the southeast, U. S. bombers based in Italy hammered Nazi airplane factories in the Vienna and Budapest regions. In ground fighting below Rome, both sides were reported making extensive troop movements in preparation for a resumption of bitter fighting.

### *Warn Neutrals*

Having suspended oil shipments to Spain and announced restriction of steamship service to Ireland, Great Britain and the U. S. next demanded termination of Sweden's ball-bearing trade with Germany in a determined campaign to halt the neutral countries' commerce with Axis Europe.

At the same time, it was announced that the Allies would look into Turkey's increased chrome shipments to Germany during the last three months, with a view toward limiting the traffic through a curtailment of our own trade with the Turks, whose lend-lease aid already has been cut down.

In hearing the Allies' demands, the Swedes said they were in no position to comply without breaking their formal agreement with Germany, which, they said, the Allies approved last September. Although there was objection to the ball-bearing shipments, Sweden's iron ore deliveries to the Nazis were not emphasized.

## WOOL:
### *Big Stocks*

With an all-high stock of foreign and U. S. wool, the Commodity Credit corporation was directed to go into the market to support the 1944 domestic clip estimated at 450,000,000 pounds.

Whereas U. S. stocks stand at record levels today, there were prospects of serious shortages when the Japs launched their South Pacific drive, threatening the Australian and New Zealand producing areas. Approximately 400,000,000 pounds of foreign wool is now owned by this country, with the Defense Supplies corporation holding 330,000,000 pounds and dealers and manufacturers the rest. At the same time, 800,000,000 pounds, is being held in this country for British account.

Because the U. S. clip sells about 18 cents a pound above foreign wool, the CCC has encountered difficulty disposing of the domestic stock, although the army now specifies its use in purchases and about 10 per cent of navy orders are expected to call for it.

## PACIFIC:
### *India Threatened*

With their backs against the rugged slopes of the Naga hills in central India, British and Indian troops fought desperately against persistent Japanese attempts to cut off their supply lines and entrap them in a huge pocket.

While the British and Indians were locked in their death struggle, U. S. bombers operated over a wide range in the Pacific, blasting Japanese installations in the Kurile islands, strung out to the north of Nippon, and plastering enemy bases on New Guinea, as part of the grand strategy to wipe out their strongholds on this flank of the Philippines.

In India, the Japs' continuing three-pronged drive pressed against British and Indian supply routes running both north and south and also to the west to the Assam-Bengal railroad, used to feed Lieut. Gen. Joseph Stilwell's American and Chinese troops clearing a communications highway in northern Burma to China.

## INDUSTRY:
### *Postwar Reserves*

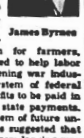
Looking forward toward the problems of postwar readjustment, U. S. industry has set aside hundreds of millions of dollars out of profits for switching back to civilian production, rebuilding plants or providing lay-off payments to workers during the period of change.

To meet the emergency, United States Steel company has established a nest egg of $104,153,497; General Motors, $76,051,805; General Electric, $73,562,337; E. I. Du Pont, $31,813,430; Sears, Roebuck, $28,300,000; United Aircraft, $28,004,464; International Harvester, $20,000,000; Goodyear Tire and Rubber company, $15,462,913; Borden company, $11,305,185; National Dairy Products, $10,000,000, and General Foods, $4,462,712.

Since such reserves cannot be taken out of income before taxes like deductions for depreciation, debt retirement and depletion, they must be put aside out of industry's profits.

### *Economic Protection*

To prevent a repetition of the widespread bankruptcies and foreclosures which fol-



James Byrnes

lowed World War I, the Commodity Credit corporation is empowered to make loans at 90 per cent of parity on basic crops for two years after the end of hostilities, War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes declared.

While outlining the protection for farmers, Byrnes also proposed to help labor laid off from slackening war industries, through a system of federal unemployment benefits to be paid in addition to regular state payments. To relieve the problem of future unemployment, Byrnes suggested that workers be shifted from lagging war plants to busier ones now while jobs were available.

Byrnes advocated legislation for quick settlement of cancelled war contracts to aid industry in the reconversion to civilian production, and he also called for congressional action to facilitate the orderly disposal of surplus war goods without disruption of regular markets.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**EGGS:** Another record in egg production was turned in by America's hard-working hens during March, the third consecutive month of all-time highs. There were 6,763,000,000 eggs laid last month, 4 per cent above March last year and 40 per cent over the ten-year average, 1933-42. Number of laying hens increased 5 per cent from March, 1943, to 433,965,000.

**MIDGET FURNACE:** A tiny furnace, weighing only 21 pounds, may be sufficient to heat a 30-room house, if a new type of heating unit now used only in military aircraft can be applied to homes. The little furnaces would be only about the size of a waste basket and would cost about $50. Demonstration models have given encouraging results it was said.

## WHEAT:
### *Good Prospects*

Because of improved prospects as a result of a recent rainfall, the U. S. Department of Agriculture predicted a winter wheat crop of 691,739,000 bushels for 1944, 72,153,000 more than 1943 production.

Based on official returns, the domestic supplies of wheat for 1944-'45 were estimated at 1,130,000,000 bushels, compared with last year's 1,040,000,000 bushels.

Although moisture deficiency in western Kansas and the adjoining wheat sections in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Colorado was offset by rainfall, Nebraska was reported in need of precipitation.

## U. S. ACES:
### *'Rick' Topped*

To army air force Captains Richard I. Bong of Poplar, Wis., and Don S. Gentile of Piqua, Ohio, went the honor of breaking Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker's famed record of shooting down 26 enemy aircraft, established in World War I.

Operating in the South Pacific in a Lightning fighter with the portrait of his fiance, Marjorie Vattendahl of Superior, Wis., painted on the nose, Captain Bong was credited with destroying his 27th enemy craft in the air on April 12.

Previously, Captain Gentile had been credited with bagging 30 enemy planes in Europe, but seven of them were shot up on the ground. During World War I, Captain Rickenbacker's total of 26 included five observation balloons, so that Captain Bong paced the field in the number actually knocked out in sky fights.

Of all of war's experiences, few were so harrowing as Sgt. James A. Raley's, who was trapped in the tail section of a Flying Fortress when it broke off from the rest of the plane during a bombing mission and fell 19,000 feet down to earth.

When the tail section finally landed miraculously on a tree top, the 27-year-old sergeant from Henderson, Ky., emerged with only a slight cut on the chin.



Sgt. Raley.

## POLITICS:
### *FDR, Dewey Lead*

With the Democratic and Republican conventions still two months off, the candidacies of President Roosevelt and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, N. Y., have picked up steam as a result of the popular favor shown them in the selection of nominating delegates.

As of April 13, 48 delegates were openly pledged for the President and 137 others claimed for him, for a total of 203 out of 236 already picked. At the same date, 25 delegates stood pledged to Dewey and 123 others were claimed for him, for a total of 148 out of 356 selected.

While the President polled a large vote in the Nebraska preferential primary, big highlight was the heavy write-in vote Dewey obtained.

## U. S. NAVY:
### *Plan Bigger Growth*

To provide for the heavy fighting ahead, congress was asked to pass a naval appropriations bill of $22,647,000,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

By July of 1945, the navy will have 10,344 self-propelled ships, 74,825 other craft, including landing vessels, and 27,735 airplanes.

Also by July of 1945, naval personnel is expected to reach 3,697,000 officers and men, including women. Biggest planned expansion is for the marine corps to a total of 478,000.

## LABOR:
### *Hit Power Politics*

Asserting that territorial and frontier problems of Europe should be settled by popular vote of the affected people, the American Federation of Labor's Vice President, Matthew Woll, assailed Soviet Russia's alleged alteration of the continent in defiance of principles of the United Nations.

Taking his place beside Woll, David Dubinsky, president of the AFL's International Garment Workers Union, deplored the development of policies designed to divide the world up into spheres of influences, in which the big nations would dominate militarily and politically.

Decrying the proposal to compensate Poland for the loss of territory to Russia by giving her part of eastern Germany, Dubinsky declared: ". . . This means that Poland, or what remains of her, will remain a center of bitter and constant struggle — a football for the powers."

## BLACK MARKET GAS

So extensive has the black market in gasoline become that it is imperilling the whole civilian motor fuel program, Petroleum Administrator Ickes warned. He said that more than 2,300,000 gallons a day is sold through illicit channels, with counterfeit coupons one of the most widely used means of evasion.

The most hopeful possibility for an increase in the allowance to civilian drivers is through the crushing of the nationwide illegal traffic in gasoline, Mr. Ickes declared.

# Handicapped Made Self-Supporting, Happy Through Work in Industries for Blind

## Sightless Can Make Many Things, Such as Sheets, Belts, Mops

By AL JEDLICKA
Released by Western Newspaper Union.

On September 8, 1942, the Illinois Industries for the Blind, incorporated four months earlier as a non-profit organization, opened operations in an old four-story structure at 1310 South Newberry St., on Chicago's historic east side.

Established by Edward S. Molineaux, the institution was designed to provide regular employment for the blind, partially blind and crippled, rather than the usual devices for passing away time or merling a dole.

By May 1, 1943—nine months after having been opened—the success of the Illinois Industries for the Blind was confirmed when the United States maritime commission awarded the plant an "M" pennant for outstanding production of sheets and pillow cases for Liberty ships, the first ever given to an institution of this nature. Six months later, the maritime commission added to the honors with the presentation of a gold star, for bettering the previous production and absentee record.

The enviable performance of the Illinois Industries for the Blind merely established Mr. Molineaux's long-time conviction on the capabilities of the blind, partially blind and crippled if properly encouraged. Partially blind himself, Mr. Molineaux's conclusions probably were inspired by his own experience of over 25 years, dating back to his education at Illinois' Jacksonville State School for the Blind, and his subsequent life work among the sightless.

Leaving Jacksonville, Mr. Molineaux took up the task of placing blind switchboard operators in Illinois, and then he went to the east, where he joined the Brooklyn Association for Improving Conditions of the Poor. Over 100 years old, this institution specializes in the assistance of the blind and crippled.

**Eight Institutions in U. S.**

Among those in the forefront of the work to restore the blind, partially blind and crippled to useful positions in society, Mr. Molineaux has seen the idea take a slow but sure hold throughout the U. S., where eight such institutions now operate, some under state supervision, others, like the one in Illinois, under private management aided by popular contributions.

The restoration of the sightless and disabled to useful citizenry received its greatest impetus in 1936, when congress passed legislation setting up a list of products for the government to purchase from blind workshops. To facilitate the program, the American Foundation for the Blind inspired the organization of the National Industries for the Blind, to act as a clearing house for contracts to the various blind workshops.

In passing the legislation, congress set up certain production standards to be met by the blind plants, and in



Blind John Dent has learned to punch, assemble and rivet small leather goods, such as belts and suspenders.

cases where such institutions are partly financed by private contributions, like the Illinois Industries, they are not expected to sell their goods below the market price, although they can sell above it.

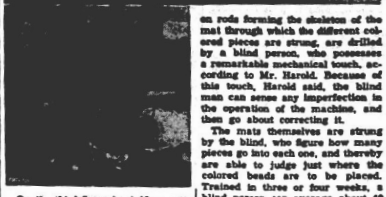
**Employment for 225.**

A visit to the Illinois Industries for the Blind plant in Chicago at once impresses one with the capability of the 225 blind, partially blind and crippled employees. At one time, the factory had a peak employment of 320 people, many of whom have since gone to accept positions in various war industries.

On all three of the floors, one will find the handicapped busily engaged in different forms of work suited to their capacities, with the blind chiefly employed on jobs where some form of mechanical guides are provided, the partially blind on objects large enough for their limited sight, and the crippled on tasks not requiring complete freedom of movement.

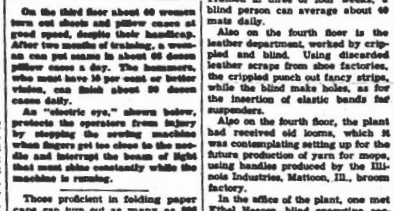
On the second floor, one sees the blind engaged in folding paper caps for permanent wave outfits, and in assembling wooden doll sets.





On the third floor about 40 women turn out sheets and pillow cases at great speed, despite their handicaps. After three months of training, a woman can put seams in about 60 dozen pillow cases a day. The hemmers, who must have 10 per cent or better vision, can finish about 90 dozen cases daily.

An "electric eye," shown below, protects the operators from injury by stopping the sewing machines when fingers get too close to the needle and interrupt the beam of light that must shine constantly while the machine is running.



Those proficient in folding paper caps can turn out as many as 900 a day and average around $8.50 for eight hours' work. There is not so much skill required in cap making, as there is a familiarity, or feel, of the paper.

Turning from the paper cap folders, one comes to a long assembly table of blind filling little cardboard boxes with parts of wooden dolls, and then packing these along with containers holding different water colors into single sets. Holes in the body of the wooden dolls into which the head, arms and legs are inserted are drilled by blind on mechanical equipment up on the fourth floor of the plant. Ten workers can assemble about 1,000 sets a day.

**Sheets and Pillow Cases.**

One of the most interesting and important of the plant's operations is on the third floor, where blind and partially blind women produce sheets and pillow cases.

Under a full-sighted supervisor, 40 impaired women keep the latest type sewing machines with necessary adjustment buzzing at top speed.

First, there are the women who put seams into the pillow cases, being able to turn out about 60 dozen daily, after two months of training. Machines are equipped with a "seeing eye," which stops their operation when the workers' fingers stray too close to the needle.

Then there are the hemmers, with partially blind with at least 10 per cent vision being preferred for this more exacting work of turning the material over, smoothing and then securing it. After six months' training, a good hemmer averages 90 dozen a day, but a blind person could produce only half of this.

At the time the plant was visited, a young woman was being broken into the overlocking process of overstitching on the outside to give better strength and appearance. Time and again, she practiced guiding the material to the needle, patiently on rods forming the skeleton of the mat through which the different colored pieces are strung, are drilled by a blind person, who possesses a remarkable mechanical touch, according to Mr. Harold. Because of this touch, Harold said, the blind man can sense any imperfection in the operation of the machines, and then go about correcting it.

The mats themselves are strung by the blind, who figure how many pieces go into each one, and thereby are able to judge just where the colored beads are to be placed. Trained in three or four weeks, a blind person can average about 40 mats daily.

Also on the fourth floor is the leather department, worked by crippled and blind. Using discarded leather scraps from shoe factories, the crippled punch out fancy strips, while the blind make holes, as for the insertion of elastic bands for suspenders.

Also on the fourth floor, the plant had received old looms, which it was contemplating setting up for the future production of yarn for mops, using handles produced by the Illinois Industries, Mattoon, Ill., broom factory.

In the office of the plant, one met Ethel Heeren, blind executive secretary, and Earl Barrett, partially blind general manager. One also met partially blind Wells Mori, active little public relations officer of the plant.

**Earn $35 a Week.**

From Mori, one learned that ambitious employees of the plant average about $35 weekly, which with their useful work, gives them position in society.

"Younger handicapped people coming to us who are broken in early into useful social occupations, develop a healthier point of view than the older people who have always more or less been felt to be a burden," Mori said.

"Sometimes, the most difficult problem is inculcating the work habit into some of the older people," Mori continued. "Laxity in coming down time, or sometimes not at all, and of not producing at their capacity are shortcomings of many handicapped people which can only be ironed out by careful handling, since you cannot push them.

"We do not take all of the handicapped, of course," Mori continued, "but most of those that we do take develop the work habit and become proficient workers.

"Because of differences in aptitudes and the need for stimulating their efforts, workers are paid on a piece-work basis," Mori said. "But even though their production rates are high, they still usually fall below the sighted standards. In these cases, our products must sell at higher levels on the market."

As an indication of the skill and earning power of many of the Illinois Industries for the Blind employees, some have been hired by the nation's busy war plants to assist in the battle of production, while a goodly number were only too proud to take their place in line and pay Uncle Sam an income tax for the first time out of their wages.

## Speed and Complexity of Modern Living Imposes Strain on Eyes Unknown to Primitive Peoples

Long working hours and difficult visual tasks are imposed upon the eyes by modern civilization, says an educational bulletin issued by the Better Vision Institute, New York.

"Man has had to pay a price for many of the advances of civilization. While he remained in the primitive state he lived according to nature's plan. He rose with the dawn and fished during the daylight hours, and slept when it was dark," goes on the bulletin. "Eyestrain was practically unknown. With the invention of the printing press, thousands began to read, and not always by the light of the sun. Eyes which for centuries had become accustomed to distance vision were now suddenly called upon to adapt themselves to close range focusing. New work, new problems for the eyes! The almost miraculous progress that has been made in recent years in artificial illumination has driven men more and more indoors. Sunset no longer marks the end of the day. The quest for recreation, and comfort continues with little thought to the needs of the eyes.

"Of all human possessions sight is among the most precious. As with most of nature's gifts we take sight for granted. Only when it is injured do the majority of us suddenly make frantic efforts to regain it."


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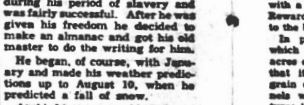
## *Moses Would Take Long Chance on His Prediction*

An old Negro, Moses by name, had been a great weather predictor during his period of slavery and was fairly successful. After he was given his freedom he decided to make an almanac and got his old master to do the writing for him.

He began, of course, with January and made his weather predictions up to August 10, when he predicted a fall of snow.

At this his master said: "Moses, you darn fool, you know it won't snow in August."

Old Moses replied: "Yes, I know it ain't apt to snow in August, but just think, if it was to, what a great prophet I would be."




**Heavier at Poles**

Due to the centrifugal force of the earth's rotation, the force of gravity is less at the equator than at the poles. An object which weighs 190 pounds at the equator will weigh 191 pounds near the poles, scientists say.

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**Shirt Tree**

"Shirts grow on trees" in India. When needing a new shirt, the native strips off a piece of bark, and with holes cut in it for his arms and head it becomes a ready-to-wear, serviceable garment.




**Ain't It So?**

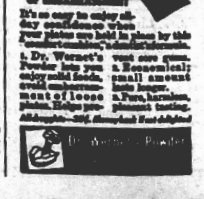
"What happens when a body is completely immersed in water?"
"The telephone rings."







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# 'Best Wheat Award of 1943' Goes to Colorado Man Second Year in Row for No. 1 Hard Tenmarq

## Leo Lindstrom's Sample Takes Pillsbury First Prize Among 26 Entries.

By AL JEDLICKA

Situated in the northeast corner of the state, Sterling, Colo., with a population of over 7,000, bids well for the honor of the wheat capital of the United States.

For the second straight year, a Sterling farmer won the Philip W. Pillsbury grand championship for the best wheat grown in the country, the victor for 1943 being Leo Lindstrom, whose No. 1 hard winter Tenmarq variety weighing 62.7 pounds per bushel was adjudged the best of 26 samples submitted from 13 states at the Chicago Stockyards. In 1942, Lindstrom's fellow townsman, George Hofmann, won first prize with a heavy dark Northern Spring Rexard variety weighing 64.6 pounds to the bushel.

In picking Lindstrom's sample, which was submitted from his 280 acres of wheat, the judges declared that it was uniformly dark hard grain of high test weight; its kernels were uniformly of hard texture; it was true to variety; it possessed excellent luster, and the kernels were uniform throughout the sample.

Inaugurated to encourage farmers to produce better wheat, the Pillsbury contest awards the winner a large trophy, $250 in cash and an all-expense tour of Minneapolis, where he and his wife can view milling and research operations.

Farmers submit samples for the contest through state grain shows or the agricultural colleges and crop improvement associations. In some states, county agents are active in urging entrance into the show.

Acceptable are the hard red winter and spring wheats, the soft red winter, the hard and soft white, and durum. They are judged according to uniformity of quality, freedom from cracked or broken kernels and discoloration, plumpness, test weight per bushel, and uniformity of kernels, which is determined by cross-sectioning, or cutting the kernels in half.

**Peter Schirrick Gets Second.**

The second, or national reserve prize, carrying $25 cash and a trophy, was won this year by Peter Schirrick of Red Lake Falls, Minn., with a Reward variety of No. 1 heavy dark north spring, weighing 65 pounds to the bushel.

Special recognitions were won by William Franzen of Magee, N. D., with Mindrum variety of No. 1 hard amber durum, weighing 62.03 pounds per bushel; Mark Chamberlain and sons of Wyoming, N. Y., with No. 595 No. 1 soft white wheat, weighing 58.9 pounds, and Edwin Simonson, Willits, Calif., with Baart variety No. 1 hard white, weighing 64.8 pounds.

Judges this year included Prof. R. F. Crim of the University of Minnesota, Prof. J. C. Hackleman of the University of Illinois, and Prof. A. L. Clapp of Kansas State Agricultural college. Prof. K. E. Beeson of Purdue, who is president of the International Crop Improvement association, represented cooperating organizations.



Approximate largest the best wheat grown in the United States in the 1942 growing year. This sample, grown by Leo Lindstrom of Sterling, Colo., was awarded the Philip W. Pillsbury prize in Chicago, March 21. In center holding a handful of the winning grain is Prof. K. E. Beeson of Purdue university, president of the International Crop Improvement association. The three judges are, left to right, Prof. R. F. Crim of the U. of Minnesota, Professor Beeson, J. C. Hackleman, U. of Illinois (holding hem), and Prof. A. L. Clapp, Kansas State Agricultural college.

## Even Staid British Must Coin Few War Words

"The English are self-conscious about adopting new words, which may partly explain the absence of any startling new war vocabulary in Britain," says Henry L. Mencken in "War Words in England," a glossary of words encountered in British newspapers with reasonable frequency. Among them are: "badoglio," a surrender; "baedecker," an air raid on a place of historical interest; "browned off," fed up; "chatter-bug," a civilian who spreads military secrets; "dicky-bird," a gas mask; "flitter," one who sleeps away from home to avoid air raids; "gussale," a barrage balloon; "I thengyow," a catch phrase used in unpleasant situations, i.e., the close explosion of a shell; "mancon," old bacon or bacon made from mutton; "shiver-sister," a scared civilian; "telefootler," a selfish person who monopolizes the telephone; and "yackie" or "yack," an evacuated child.

American words like "snackbar" have become popular, but "jitterbug," to the Englishman, means a nervous person.

The restoration of peace will prove which words are temporary and which are here to stay, he says. It is significant of this war that its most permanent word addition to date has been "quisling."

# AMERICA IN ACTION

## INCORRECT ADDRESSING DELAYS OVERSEA MAIL

Fifteen per cent of the more than 28 million pieces of mail each week being sent to soldiers overseas is incorrectly or insufficiently addressed, the war department points out in cautioning the public on the extreme importance of correct addressing. This is a serious and a growing problem.

**This problem could be solved easily if everyone writing to overseas soldiers would realize the necessity of including the soldier's complete address, giving his rank, full name with middle initial, army serial number, service organization and unit, APO number and the postmaster at the Port of Embarkation through which the mail is routed.**

With single APO's handling the mail for thousands of troops, the service organization and unit are particularly important. They are equivalent to a civilian's street and number, with the APO representing the correct state and city in a domestic mail address. The serial number is of particular importance when, as frequently happens, soldiers of the same name, or similar name and initial, receive their mail through the same APO.

## Army Restricts Answers to Queries About Soldiers

The number of daily inquiries pertaining to the whereabouts of individual soldiers has become so great that in the future specific replies will be sent only to members of congress, parents and close relatives of soldiers, and certain public authorities, the war department announces.

Casual acquaintances of soldiers account for more than 750 inquiries each day.

The volume of work entailed and the number of employees engaged in answering the inquiries have made the new restrictions necessary, the war department explains.

In the future, requests for information on soldiers received from persons other than those named in the aforementioned category will be acknowledged by a form card from the adjutant general.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.





How Chinese children depict the war in cartoons is shown at an exhibit in the Museum of Modern Art in New York city. Above, in a picture entitled "Great China, Small Japan" the giant Chinese foot is crushing the Jap spider. Below, a woman hands a rifle to her husband, saying "Give me the Plow, You Take the Gun." Most of the children are war orphans, students in the 28 schools established by Mme. Chiang Kai-shek.

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# "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

## MAKE-OVER MAGIC

You're out-of-date if you don't wear make-overs. You're patriotic if you do. The teen age crowd, always smart at making something out of nothing, goes to town on making new clothes out of old.



**REVIVED WITH RUFFLES**—Got any old blouses that are too tight or tearing around the armholes? Who hasn't? Well rip the sleeves out altogether; cut the armholes deep enough for comfort and finish off with pleasing ruffles of any material you happen to have around. For a custom-made ensemble effect, save some extra material from that new cotton skirt so that your blouse ruffles and skirt match.

**JERKIN REJUVENATION**—Lots of girls have been transforming their old sweaters into jerkins by ripping out the sleeves. It's an easy trick and a practical one, now that sweaters are getting scarcer than hen's teeth and twice as precious. Incidentally, if you're smart, you can make anklets with the sleeves you cut out of the sweaters.

**DICKIE DEVICE**—You can't have too many dickies and you may have some worn out blouses that you can cut down into good-as-new dickies. Just try it—and you'll thank us for telling you.

**QUILTING BEAUTIES**—Did you know that you could use the good parts of old comforters for many little jerkins and jackets to wear on cool summer evenings? And, did you know that the skirt sections of old quilted housecoats make stunning summer skirts, if you cut them off at the right length?

## Fun for Free

**If you want to save your Meals* To buy stamps and bonds in school-a****
**Here's the way to have good times On few nickels and less dimes. At the fountain don't go broke— Spend an hour on ONE coke. Juke Box nickels beat the Axis While you listen to the waxes Of Frank and Bing and more At the corner record store. Over at the five-and-ten Shop for gadget ideas—then *Stead of spending dime to take 'em, Go right home and try to make 'em. Now—all together—sing with me, "Land of the Slave; home of the FREE."**

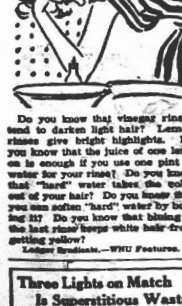
*—Jabberwocky for "money."
**—Well, it rhymes, doesn't it?

*TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—*

*If you now 'em down the first time you wear that new dress of yours, save it for important parties when you really want to be a P-38. Call it mere vanity, or call it just plain foolishness, but certain dresses CAN become good luck pieces to a "teen. You get the feeling that you just can't be a mark ball when you wear that particular number and it brings you good luck, too. I wonder which of your new dresses will turn out to be THE one THIS season?*

# Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



Do you know that vinegar rinses tend to darken light hair? Lemon rinses give bright highlights. Do you know that the juice of one lemon is enough if you use one pint of water for your rinse? Do you know that "hard" water takes the color out of your hair? Do you know that you can soften "hard" water by boiling it? Do you know that bluing in the last rinse keeps white hair from getting yellow?

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



Home should be a comfortable place to live in—to come home to after a hard day's work, so do your utmost toward bringing cheer into your home.

Do away with useless things such as make believe fireplaces and fake flowers.

If you are building a permanent home—one you expect to live in for years—invest money in upholstered pieces and good wooden pieces.

Get a huge mirror for over your mantel—or behind your couch. Mirrors give space and light to a room but—a word of warning—don't place a mirror where it will directly catch your reflection — do have them placed where they will repeat a good view.

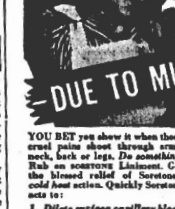
Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## Australian Pets



Lieut. Col. Mary Agnes Brown, director of WAC activities in the southwest Pacific area, seems to have made an immediate hit with Australia's koalas, or honey bears. The little gray-furred animals, like living teddy bears, are said to be excellent and affectionate pets when tamed. The boys will probably bring a lot of them home when it's all over.


GEE—SHE LOOKS OLD TODAY



DUE TO MUSCULAR PAINS!

YOU BET you show it when those cruel pains shoot through arms, neck, back or legs. *Do something.* Rub on SORETONE Liniment. Get the blessed relief of Soretone's *cold heat* action. Quickly Soretone acts to:

1. *Dilate surface capillary blood vessels.*
2. *Check muscular cramps.*
3. *Enhance local circulation.*
4. *Help reduce local swelling.*

Developed by the famous McKesson Laboratories, Soretone is a unique formula. Soretone contains methyl salicylate, a most effective pain-relieving agent. For fastest action, *let dry, rub in again.* There's only one Soretone—Insist on it for Soretone results. 50¢, Big, long-lasting bottle, $1.

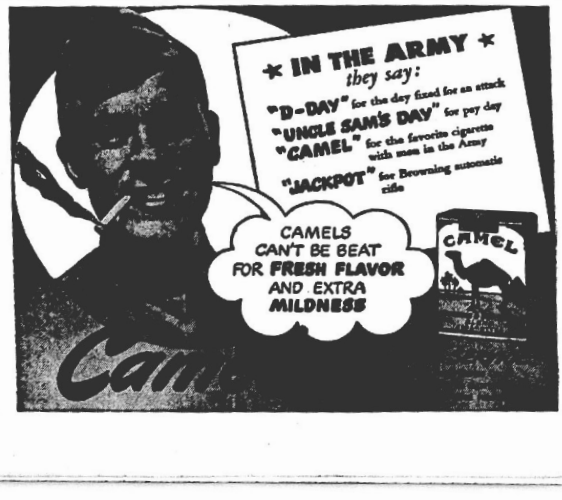
SORETONE
soothes fast with
COLD HEAT* ACTION
in cases of
MUSCULAR LUMBAGO OR BACKACHE
due to fatigue or exposure
MUSCULAR PAINS
due to colds
SORE MUSCLES
due to overwork
MINOR SPRAINS

MONEY BACK—IF SORETONE DOESN'T SATISFY

*Though applied cold, rubefacient ingredients in Soretone will like heat to increase the superficial supply of blood to the area and hasten a glowing sense of warmth.

"and McKesson makes it"





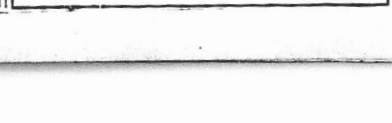


## Three Lights on Match Is Superstitious Waste

WASHINGTON.—In the interest of saving paper, glue and lumber for match sticks, a War Production board official has suggested to match manufacturers an advertising campaign to overcome the popular widespread superstition that "it is unlucky to take three lights off the same match."

# TELEFACT

RAW MATERIALS REQUIRED TO PRODUCE ONE BARREL OF GASOLINE




## 100,000 Cats Snatched For Food in Budapest

LISBON.—The Munich newspaper Muenchner Neueste Nachrichten, reporting a fantastic black market in cat meat in Budapest said that "catnapers" had stolen more than 100,000 household pets in recent months.

The black market operators bribe children to deliver cats, sell the meat to butchers and dispose of the hides through fur dealers, the newspaper said.

NOMINATE

# Jim F. Melton

## County Superintendent of Public Instruction

I will endeavor to work for the following platform:

1—Raise the present high standard of the schools of our county.

2—Do everything possible to enlarge and better all courses in vocational training.

3—Encourage and maintain a physical training program.

4—Advocate a standard basis of salary for teachers throughout the county.

5 Maintain a safe and efficient school bus service.

*I will appreciate your vote and influence*

(Paid Political Advertisement)

# ELECT FRANK D. UPCHURCH GOVERNOR



*He is a Floridan and a World War Veteran. A Vote for Him Is a Vote for Safety, Sanity, Honesty and Integrity in the Government of the State of Florida.*

Political Advertisement—Paid for by Friends.

## When YOU Cast Your Ballot On May 2nd

## DON'T FORGET TO Vote For

# Doyle Schumacher

*For*

# Sheriff

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mercer left Thursday night for Parris Island, S. C., where they went to visit their son, E. W. Mercer, Pharmacists mate, first class, U. S. navy, and Mrs. Mercer.

S.Sgt. and Mrs. L. R. Braddock of St. Petersburg spent Tuesday and Wednesday here with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hagan and family. Sgt. Braddock is Mrs. Hagan's brother. He is stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and is spending his furlough at his home in St. Petersburg.

Mrs. Ruby Reynolds and Mrs. Estelle Clark spent last week end in Tampa with the latter's mother, Mrs. J. F. Graves, and her sister, Mrs. Kate Richmond of Dallas, Texas. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Graves and Mrs. Richmond, who returned to Tampa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Murray of Foxboro, Mass, are visiting their nephew, Walter Rutherford and Mrs. Rutherford. Mr. Murray has been associated with the Foxboro company, makers of all kinds of gauge instruments, for the past 25 years.

Mrs. Ruth Clowe, who underwent a major operation in a Tampa hospital recently, returned home last Saturday.

Mrs. Virginia Cloud of Bartow, formerly of Avon Park, will undergo a major operation in a Lakeland hospital this morning. She was a member of the elementary school faculty here for several years before moving to Bartow two years ago, where she is connected with the school.

Miss Barbara Betts and her cousin, Mrs. Edward Touchton left Thursday for Gainesville, Ga., where they will be guests of Miss Nancy Betts, senior at Brenau College. They will attend the piano recital given by Miss Nancy Betts Friday afternoon in the auditorium in Brenau.

## Stan's VIEWS




All girls want to look their best for "him." Let us help by entrusting all cleaning service to our professional staff.

*HALL'S*

*Dry Cleaning*

Phone 52

VOTE FOR
*E. P. MARTIN*
OF PLANT CITY, FLA
CANDIDATE FOR
*Attorney General*
SUBJECT TO THE
DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY
MAY 1944
Your Vote and Active
Support Appreciated



Practiced Law for 28 years. Served three sessions in the State Legislature, is a real friend to all man kind. Will make you a good Attorney General —
VOE FOR HIM AND ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO VOTE FOR HIM

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DORA HERNDON FOR AUTHORITY TO SELL CERTAIN REAL ESTATE THE PROPERTY OF CHARLOTTE M. HERNDON, A MINOR.
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID LANDS:

Notice is hereby given of the intention of Dora Herndon, as Guardian of the estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a Minor, to apply to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, for authority to sell the following property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit: An undivided 1/24 interest in all of Blocks Sixty Six (66) and Sixty Seven (67), of "Unit One" of Lake Lillian Section of Highland Lakes," a subdivision in Township 35 South, Range 28 East, as per replat thereof recorded in the public records of Highlands County, Florida.

Said application will be made to said Judge at his office in the Court House, Sebring, Florida, at eleven o'clock A. M., May 8th, 1944. All persons interested in said lands are hereby warned to appear before said Judge at the time and place mentioned and show cause, if any they have, why authority to sell said lands should not be granted.

Dated April 7th, 1944.

MRS. DORA HERNDON
As Guardian of the Estate
of Charlotte M. Herndon,
a Minor.

April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5.

## Can The Sheriff's Office Be Self Sustaining?

SHERIFF E. G. LONG
HAS PROVED THAT IT CAN
***Consider These Facts Before Voting***

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash balance in Fine & Forfeiture Fund when Sheriff Long took office | $ 563.00 |
| Amount owed to former Sheriff and County Judge when Sheriff Long took office | 3219.58 |
| Millage levied for law enforcement then | 3 mills |
| Millage levied for outstanding indebtedness then | 8 mills |

25⅔ of the eight mills used for paying amounts due former sheriff, county judge and constable in district number one.

***Today, After Sheriff Long Has Served Three Years and Four Months:***

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash balance in Fine & Forfeiture Fund | $22,226.48 |
| Amount Owed by Fine & Forfeiture Fund | NONE |
| Millage Levied for Fine & Forfeiture Fund | 1¾ |

WHAT HAS MADE THE ABOVE POSSIBLE?
STRICT AND IMPARTIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, RESULTING IN THE COLLECTION OF $60,768.07 IN FINES AND FORFEITURES DURING HIS ADMINISTRATION

## Elect E. G. (Shorty) LONG

*Your Sheriff For Another Term*

# FRED WILD

FOR

## Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County

***My pledge to the People of Highlands County is to work with you and improve our schools, in all departments, so that our children will receive a more Democratic, thorough and worthwhile education.***

Resident of Highlands County for 31 years.
Educated in Highlands County public Schools.
Graduate of Florida Southern College, with post graduate work at the University of Florida.
Principal of Venus school one year.
Science teacher and assistant athletic director of Sebring High School for past nine years.
Past President of Peace River Teachers' Association.
Boy Scoutmaster Sebring Troop six years.
Counsellor Florida Boys' State.
Sunday School teacher and member of Methodist Church.
Member Lions Club.



***Qualified - Experienced - Dependable***

YOUR VOTE WILL BE APPRECIATED

FRANK D. UPCHURCH, FLORIDIAN
*CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR*



# Troy A. Cox

CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION FOR

*Justice of The Peace*

*Four Years' Experience; Qualified For the Job*

*Asking For a 2nd Term on My Record*

YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT APPRECIATED



POINCIANA LODGE No. 227 F. & A. M.

Meets first and third Mondays of each month at 8:00 sharp. Masonic Temple.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN CHANCERY.

JESSE HUBERT PELLUM, et al, Plaintiffs, vs. STATE WELFARE BOARD et al., Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO HAROLD WALLACE JUSTICE, that a petition has been filed in this office by above named petitioners against A. Nelda Justice and others, seeking the adoption of a child born unto A. Nelda Justice of date Jan. 4, 1944, of which the birth certificate recites you are its father. Object of petition and this order is for you to show cause, if any you can, before the Court, on the 8th day of May 1944 why the Court should not permit petitioners to adopt said child.

It is ordered that this notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to said return day in the Scenic Highlands Sun, a newspaper published in Avon Park, Florida, because it appears that the said Harold Wallace Justice is a non resident of Florida.

Witness my hand and seal this the 6th day of April 1944.

H. T. PIRTY
As Clerk of Said Court.

(SEAL)
M. R. McDONALD,
ATTY. FOR PET.
April 7, 14, 21, 28

## *Honor Placque and Service Flag are Dedicated Friday*

The dedication of the school honor placque and the service flag was an impressive part of the chapel program held Friday morning in the high school auditorium. The names of all the boys and girls and faculty members who are in the service are inscribed on the placque, and each is represented by a star on the service flag.

The program opened with a number by the high school band, "El Captan," led by Miss Barbara Betts, director. The audience sang, "America," accompanied by the band.

J. C. Mathews, assistant principal, conducted the devotionals, followed by the "Overture Americana," played by the band.

Col. Dan Ellis, retired officer of the United States army, and newly elected commander of the American Legion, gave an inspiring address, that stirred the hearts of the audience with patriotism.

Walter Martin, president of the student council, spoke briefly about the sentiment and purpose of the service flag. Assisted by James Perdue, he displayed the red and white flag, with its blue stars on the white background.

As a closing number, the band played "Men of Ohio."

### PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the week of April 29 to May 6, 1944 has been selected as Boys and Girls Week throughout the United States in order to focus public attention upon boys and girls, their potentialities and their problems; and

Whereas, it is apparent, in view of increases in juvenile delinquency, that more effective measures must be taken to safeguard the welfare of youth; and

Whereas, victory for our democracy in the present world struggle depends to a large extent upon the competency of our youth, we believe it is necessary to assist boys and girls in preparing themselves to help their country to the fullest extent;

Therefore I, Edgar A. DeLaney, Mayor of Avon Park, do hereby proclaim the week beginning April 29 and ending May 6, 1944 as Boys and Girls Week in this city, and I do hereby call upon the businessmen, civic organizations, churches, schools, and citizens to cooperate with the Boys and Girls Week Committee in carrying on its worthy program.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of City of Avon Park to be hereto affixed this 28th day of April, 1944.

E. A. DELANEY,
Mayor.

BUY U. S. WAR BONDS! INVEST IN AMERICA.


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REGISTERED BROKER
REAL ESTATE IN ALL LINES
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22 South Lake Ave.
Avon Park, Fla.



# The ONLY CANDIDATE For GOVERNOR WITH VISION ENOUGH to See THIS, AND COURAGE ENOUGH to SAY IT



ED

## Baker

**declares: "We must unite the human and physical resources of Florida behind our Commander-in-Chief in winning the war—urge him to continue his leadership so that we do not delay the return of our servicemen a single instant."**

ED BAKER does and will command the respect of Washington because he has the COURAGE to speak his convictions —in favor of President ROOSEVELT. Ed Baker is a DEMOCRAT—has always been a Democrat—is PROUD of it.

## A BALLOT FOR BAKER

IS A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN ROOSEVELT

## BAKER FOR GOVERNOR

(Political adv. by Highlands County Baker for Governor Club)



*RE-ELECT*



W. B. (Babe) DOUGLASS

AS RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

Continue to profit from the services of a public servant of proven ability, experience, integrity and a desire to be of service to the public and His fellow citizens. His decisions have been based upon evidence and he will continue to follow that policy.

(Political advertisement paid for by friends of Mr. Douglas).



ELECTION
ALSTON
COCKRELL
U.S. SENATOR



*Tuesday Is The Day, Folks*

PLEASE

DON'T FORGET ME

# FRANK {Hotshot} ARMISTEAD



# Have you read THIS TRIBUTE To Senator Claude PEPPER by Earl Browder, General Secretary of THE COMMUNIST PARTY?

"... We dare not, on pain of humiliating defeat in this war, rest complacently on the present status of the Negro citizens of the United States. We must, as a war necessity, proceed to the systematic and relentless wiping out of every law, custom, and habit of thought, which in flagrant violation of our Constitution enforces an unequal status between Negro and white citizens of the United States."—Page 40, Chapter VI, "Victory and After" by Earl Browder.

"... There is a movement of enlightenment and progress stirring through the South, among white and Negro populations, that reaches down to the grass roots. And already it has found spokesmen, worthy ones, in public life ... I will mention a few, even at the risk that Martin Dies and his kind always denounce as "Communists" those for whom I speak a kind word ... Senator Claude Pepper has displayed a progressive mind and independent spirit that augurs a new day coming in the South."—Page 64, Chapter X, "Victory and After" by Earl Browder.

***The Thinking Citizens of Florida are NOT in Sympathy With Senator Pepper's "So-Called" Progressive Ideas!***

## Vote AMERICAN - Vote DEMOCRATIC

# Vote EDMUNDS

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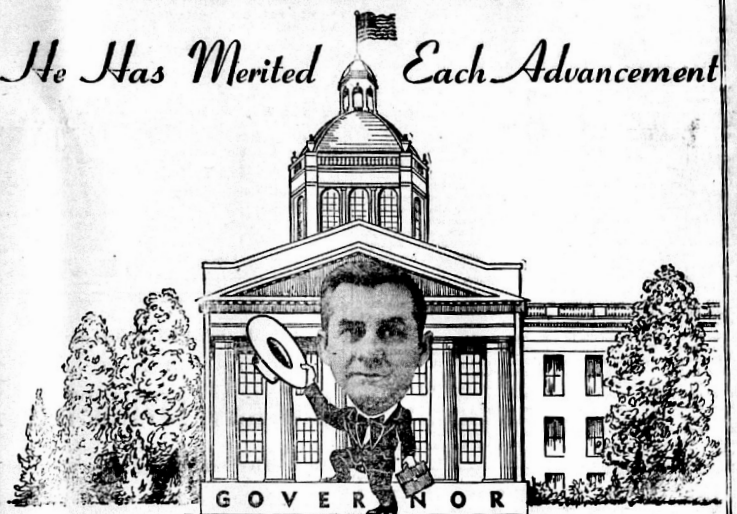


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# LEX GREEN

## ★ ★ GOVERNOR ★ ★

*He Has Merited Each Advancement*




Congressman-at-Large—2 Years
Congressman—2nd District—18 Years
County Judge—Bradford County—4 Years
Member, Speaker pro tem—Fla House Representatives
Chief Clerk—Florida House of Representatives
Assistant Chief Clerk—Florida House of Representatives
Messenger—Florida House of Representatives
Lawyer
Teacher—Vice President, Florida Educational Association
Farmer
Born, Bradford County, Florida, February 10, 1892

*His Ability, Experience and High Integrity Warrants the Promotion of Lex Green to Governor of Florida*

**LEX GREEN** WILL SPEAK TO THE PEOPLE OF FLORIDA FRIDAY, APRIL 28, AT 7:30 P. M. SATURDAY, APRIL 29, AT 10 P. M. ★ MONDAY, MAY 1, AT 9:30 P. M. ★ TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 8, AT 10 A. M. OVER STATIONS WRUF ★ WFTL ★ WPDQ ★ WTSP ★ WWPG ★ WDLP

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**WHAT'S GOOD FOR GEORGE . . .**

Most of us still believe that what's good for the goose is good for the gander — only it too frequently happens we never get "the goose" and "the gander" together. Now in fable style we propose to do just this.

Once upon a time the war department asked for bids for some asphalt at Eglin field. When the bids were opened and specifications compared a Florida concern was the low bidder.

There was a Georgia bidder in the field and he rushed to Senator George of Georgia, howling for help. The senator rallied to his call and started putting on the pressure. The mighty George, lily white and pure to all the Florida smear instigators of this present day, threw all the weight of his seniority and position into his attempt to switch the contract and then (and only then did) the Florida bidder call for help. He saw influential Senator George about to swing the contract away from him, so his attorney called on Senator Pepper for help.

Just like George responded to his constituent's call, Pepper responded when his constituent called. There was a wordy, a technical and a pressure battle before various army officers. Senator Pepper's only regret probably is that he didn't get into the fight soon enough or didn't have the pull enough or maybe he didn't have a big enough bank roll (if there was a bank roll connected with the deal) to convince the army that the low bid of his Florida constituent should be accepted and he lost the fight to Senator George who had the specifications rewritten and the contract awarded to the Georgia bidder.

Surely war profiteers (if there are any involved) don't pay off when they lose the contract — so the smear boys are operating on the wrong goat. They ought to look up George of Georgia.

Anyway the Georgia concern didn't have any credit rating — being new and hastily organized just to go after the Eglin field job — and George's choice was some sixty days getting railroad sidings in and deliveries started. Meanwhile the war department bought some asphalt from the Florida concern to keep the job going until George's protege could get started — and there was no serious delay.

But the pay off, — folks, here it is! When the contract was finished Uncle Sam had to pay Senator George's protege something like $23,000 more for the job than the Florida concern's bid. We don't know who got the $23,000 but it's a cinch George's protege didn't split it with Pepper — nor with the Tallahassee attorney for the Florida bidder. So that's that.

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**FOR WHOM? WHEN?**

Midst all this criticism of regimentation emanating from the ranks of big business; midst this clamor from business to be let alone and the cry for free enterprise without government interference or rule and regulations we are amazed (or are we?) to see those highest of the high priests of big business — the automobile magnates — calling for Uncle Sam to interfere, for him to limit the production of automobiles "AFTER THE WAR" and what not.

The article from which we quote appeared in that modern bible of big business "The Wall Street Journal."

And we wonder if governmental interference when it helps the pocketbooks of the rich is any better than when it helps the pocketbooks of the poor. Maybe the only thing "wrong" with Mr. Roosevelt and the New Deal is that they've been helping the poor a little more often than the rich.

It's a tired pipe cinch that — regardless of cries to the contrary — the New Deal hasn't ruined business and Mr. Roosevelt's tax laws have left big business more profits than they have ever had in history. The record shows that — for this same Wall Street Journal reports every day new millions in dividends and every week or so sums it all up in "billions in dividends." While bankruptcy referees are the only folks applying for relief any more.

But read about governmental regimentation, red tape, rationing of "AFTER the WAR" automobiles and what have you, as reported in the Wall Street Journal:

Seventeen leading automobile executives agreed with the War Production Board in an industry advisory committee meeting that when the time to reconvent does come, the production should be on a basis of at least 2 million cars annually.

Representatives of some of the smaller producers urged that the program finally settled on be kept so flexible that no company would be compelled to reenter peacetime production at too great a loss.

Committee members were of the opinion the manpower situation in the automobile industry is likely to ease considerably this year. They warned that a serious unemployment problem will develop with the tapering off of war production unless the readjustment is properly planned. The industrialists said that one of the first policies to be laid down should govern tools and machinery. They added that it should concern both the questions of releasing Government-owned equipment and placing orders for new tools with the machine tool industry now.

Just lifting the veil, folks; just using our ordinary horse sense; all of this clamor from big business about Uncle Sam is pure hooey based on that old time saying "whose ox is being gored." Yes, if Mr. Hoover was up there raising prices instead of holding them down, that kind of governmental interference would be "just fine" and the big money folks wouldn't be howling about the president and a mere senator.


℞ "SAFETY" ℞

*Is Insured by Your Local Druggists in the JACARANDA DRUG STORE*

They Carry Out Your Doctor's Orders As Specified And They Fill ANY Doctor's PRESCRIPTION.

S. S. THAYER, Pharmacist



ELECT

ANGUS WILLIAMS



South Florida's Candidate for the FLORIDA RAILROAD COMMISSION

Bring the Commission to the people and the people to the Commission.

Not one dollar has been contributed to Williams' campaign expenses by any concern supervised or regulated by the Commission. Therefore, Angus Williams will be in position to be fair to consumer, producer and carrier agency with equal justice to all. It has been over 30 years since a South Florida man served by election.


To the voters of Highlands County

From



## Wilbur C. King

Candidate for State Senator

Citrus Grower, Farmer, Cattle Raiser, Merchant

In offering myself as a candidate for the State Senate I do so believe my experience as a County Commissioner, City Councilman and business man qualifies me to understand your problems.

If you honor me with your vote and support I pledge to work diligently for the advancement of our citrus, farming and cattle industries; give additional financial aid to your school system; will work harmoniously with State officials to secure your just share of highway funds; match Federal funds for the aged, blind and dependent children; work with the Governing bodies of the City and County for new industries and post-war projects which will be helpful in business and give real worthwhile wages to those of us on the home front and the returning men and women in the Armed Forces.

If elected to this high office I will devote the next four years of my life to work with you and for you for the advancement of Highlands, DeSoto, Glades and Hardee Counties. Most of you know my capacity for work and you know that I stick to whatever I go after until I get it. I pledge my BEST effort toward doing things for Highlands County.

For Highlands County vote for Wilbur C. King.

(Paid political advertisement)

# Political Announcements

**FOR SHERIFF**

I hereby announce for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I take this opportunity to solicit your vote and support, which will be greatly appreciated.

DOYLE SCHUMACHER

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

W. A. (WILL) ROBERTS

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Highlands County subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. With seven years experience in the office as background I feel better qualified than ever before to continue giving you the best service at my command.

E. G. (SHORTY) LONG

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of sheriff of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TOM DIMBERLINE

**FOR TAX COLLECTOR**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

PHILIP CORRELL

I take this opportunity of announcing my candidacy for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primaries in May, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRANK (HOTSHOT) ARMISTEAD

Having served the taxpayers of Highlands County for the past seven years in the Tax Office and the Clerk of the Court's office, I feel that my experience qualifies me for the office of Tax Collector of Highlands County, subject to 1944.

DAN YOUNG

**FOR STATE SENATOR**

I am a candidate for the State Senate from the 27th Senatorial District subject to the will of the people in the May 2nd primary. If elected I shall faithfully perform the duties of the office and at all times take care of the people's interests of Highlands County as well as the District as a whole. Your vote, support and influence will be greatly appreciated. I will do what I say I will do.

A. J. (AL) DUNHAM, of Arcadia.

**FOR STATE SENATOR**

I respectfully solicit the support and vote of my Highlands County friends prior to and on election day, May 2. My four years as your state senator qualify me to render Highlands county and this district even greater service during the next four crucial years. I solicit your support on my record and promise that I will continue to lend my best efforts toward the progress of Highlands County and this district of Florida. Respectfully,

Wm. (BILL) CLIETT

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**FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Highlands County, Florida, subject to the Democratic Primary, May 2, 1944. I will appreciate the support and vote of the voters of the county.

JIM F. MELTON

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I will appreciate your vote and support.

FRED WILD

**FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE**

This is to announce my candidacy for re-election as Justice of the Peace of the First District of Highlands County, in the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If re-elected, I will give the office my careful attention as in the past. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

TROY A. COX

I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. I feel qualified to handle the position, and if elected will give the office my close attention. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ALTON ELDER

**FOR COUNTY JUDGE**

I hereby announce for the office of Judge of the County Judge's Court, subject to May 2 Primary election. If elected, I will observe court hours; I will exercise diligence in the dispatch of business; I will be patient and courteous; I will judge the causes of all persons uprightly and impartially; I will uphold the law.

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I hereby announce as a candidate for Constable of the First District in Highlands County, subject to the May Democratic primaries. I am now serving my fourth term on the police force in Avon Park, the last two terms as chief, and believe this experience fits me for the office. Your vote and support appreciated.

R. S. (BOB) MASSEY

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of Highlands County, First District, subject to the Democratic primary, May 2, 1944. I have been a resident of Avon Park for 21 years, and feel that I am qualified to handle the office. I will appreciate your vote and support.

THOMAS WELLS

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Constable of the First District, Highlands County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 2, 1944. If elected, I will give the office my careful and diligent attention. I will appreciate your vote and support.

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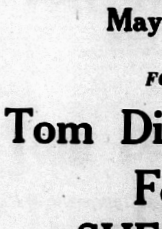
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# Society Notes

## Mrs. Lawhon Is Honored With Birthday Party

Mrs. Anna Lawhon was the honoree at a lovely party on Thursday evening, when her daughter, Mrs. M. M. Foster and her granddaughter, Mrs. E. L. Roberts entertained relatives and a few close friends in celebration of her birthday anniversary. The rooms were filled with exquisite arrangements of Easter lilies, roses and gerberas.

The evening was spent informally, and later refreshments of individual cake squares and homemade ice cream were served. The dining room table was overlaid with a lace cloth and centered with a bouquet of fragrant roses.

Mrs. Lawhon was the recipient of many useful and attractive gifts from those sharing the occasion with her.

## Adeline Hargrove and Sgt. Anderson Married Wednesday

Miss Adeline Hargrove and Sergeant William Harold Anderson of Minden, La., were united in marriage at 9:30 Wednesday evening at the Church of the Nazarene with the pastor, the Rev. W. D. Croft, officiating. Several close friends, and the parents, of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Anderson of Minden witnessed the ceremony.

The bride was most attractive in a navy blue crepe, with which she wore matching accessories and a corsage of pink carnations.

Sgt. Anderson is stationed at the Avon Park Army Air Field, and the couple is residing in Avon Park.

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## Barbecue Supper Delightful Affair at Todd Home

Donald Todd of Newport News, Va., who has been spending several days at his home, before induction into the navy, was the honor guest at a barbecue supper given at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd on Sunday evening. Barbecued ribs, prepared over an open grill on the lake shore, formed the piece de' resistance for the delicious supper served on conveniently arranged tables The evening was spent informally by the guests.

Those enjoying this delightful affair included Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Touchton, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hartt, Miss Jane Hartt, Sanford Hartt, Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Miss Barbara Betts, Miss Elizabeth Hetherington, Ensign Jack Beeler, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spatz, Mrs. Wm. Winnishiek, Lieut. and Mrs. Wilmer Snell, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd, Donald and Norman Todd.

Miss Carolyn Holland and Miss Ruby McConnell spent the week end in Orlando with Miss Holland's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Holland.

Mrs. W. S. Rawlings left Thursday afternoon for Lakeland, to be near the bedside of her friend, Mrs. Virginia Cloud, who is a patient at a hospital there. She will stay in Bartow with Mrs. Cloud's daughter, Mrs. Robert Peacock, and her sister, Miss Frances Hargrove.

## Births

First Class Petty Officer W. C. (Bill) Mackay and Mrs Mackay are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, weighing eight pounds and two ounces, who arrived Saturday, April 22. The little lady has been named Betty Ann. Mr. Mackay is on duty with the navy in the south Pacific. Mrs. Mackay was Miss Jerry Heim, prior to her marriage and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Heim.

Ellis Parks, seaman cook, 3/c, U. S. navy, and Mrs. Parks of Leesburg, formerly of Avon Park, are announcing the arrival of a baby son, weighing five and one-half pounds, who arrived, Wednesday, April 19, at Leesburg, Fla. The young man has been named Ellis Wayne Parks, jr. Seaman Parks is on duty in the south Pacific.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Morgan of St. Petersburg are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, weighing six pounds and one-fourth ounces, who arrived at a Tampa hospital Monday, April 24. The little girl, who is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Wells, Avon Park has been named Elizabeth Diane. Mrs. Morgan was formerly Miss Blossom Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Elder announce the birth of a baby daughter, weighing seven and one-half pounds, who arrived at a Sebring hospital, Tuesday, April 25. Mrs. Elder and baby returned to their home in Avon Park Wednesday.

Miss Rubye Jeane Norton of Clewiston, formerly of this city, is spending several weeks in the north. Following her visit there, she will go to Atlantic Beach Summer Resort in North Carolina, where she has accepted a position as hostess. After three months at this point, Miss Norton will return to Miami or Clearwater. She is connected with a chain of hotels.


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THANKS:

To the people of Highlands County for the reception given me at the Lake Angelo Political Rally. It was great to have been with you.

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# BLACK SOMBRERO

WNU SERVICE

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT

Elsa Chatfield is disinherited by her Aunt Kitty who died of an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers and Barry Maddern go to Mexico to solve what they believe to be Aunt Kitty's murder. On arriving they find that Elsa's party has preceded them by plane. James Chesebro is murdered, Elsa's father, Sam, meets death from the reed of a marlin when his chair breaks, tapping him into the sea, and George Rumble, a member of the fishing party, is fished out of the sea near the dock. Police chief Lombardo conducts the investigation into these deaths. Reed Barton asks what they were doing with his fishing knife and learns that this is the knife that killed George Rumble.

## CHAPTER XVII

"Practically all," he said. "I think if we were to sort them out properly we could go a long way toward a solution. Perhaps not all the way. We can settle upon several pertinent facts—clues that point toward the solution."

"What are they?"

Rogers was silent for some moments, turning over in his mind the answer to my question. "I'll name one thing," he began. "It is move important than any other—the picture of Elsa and the baby in the Los Angeles paper." He did not go on for some moments, then he said: "What Chesebro did or said to Elsa that so enraged her intercepts me very much too. The knife that killed Chesebro is a clue I'd like to discover."

"Are those all?" I asked when he ceased speaking.

He did not reply at once. I felt that something had come over him, some new thought had struck him. In the darkness that shrouded us I could sense that he was vitally alive to something, some new phase of our problem which had electrified him. I waited with growing impatience, afraid to startle him with any word of mine.

"Barry—the black sombrero!" he said suddenly. He didn't speak again for several moments, then he said: "There's an amazing story here! Incredible! I see it only dimly yet."

Inside Berta, Margaret and Dwight were attempting a three-handed game of bridge—killing slow time, as it were, in the hope that tomorrow would be a brighter day. Rogers, now that I could observe him in the light of the living room lamps, betrayed none of that impulsive energy which in the darkness I fancied he possessed. He was as casual as if he had tired of being out of doors and had come inside for company. He walked about the table, examining the cards each of the players held. Margaret was playing the hand. She finessed through Dwight.

"Senora," began Rogers addressing Berta abruptly, "did you not come ashore from the Orizaba that evening prior to our fishing trip?"

"Yes, senor," she replied after a moment's hesitation. "But only to the—the muelle—the wharf, with Arturo."

"Yes!"

"It is because I have forgotten a promise, senor, to my husband. I should bring his fishing things, his harness, and his belt and knife. And I forgot. When I remember it I go ashore to find somebody to send with a note to the ranche for them."

"Did you find someone?"

"Oh, yes. Two boys. I send them in a taxi."

"Did you wait for their return?"

"No, senor. I go back to the boat and Arturo brings the things to me later."

"Did you see Senor Rumble on the wharf, senora?"

"No, senor. I see no one."

"What time was it?"

"That I do not know, senor. I do not think it is very late."

The cards by now were abandoned and the players moved to more comfortable chairs. Doctor Cruz appeared in the doorway and behind him Lombardo. They came in and we greeted them. I wondered what their mission was. Rogers continued to stand. His gaze was restless; he seemed to fix upon Elsa's small black hat, which still lay on the table against the wall, with a sort of satisfaction, although I couldn't understand why.

"Elsa has retired?" he inquired.

"Oh, no; she and Reed are around somewhere," Margaret answered.

At that moment Elsa, followed by Reed Barton, appeared at the study door.

"Did I hear my name mentioned?" she called.

Hunt Rogers was worrying about you," I said.

"But I wasn't," Rogers objected. "I merely inquired what had become of you. I'd not seen you since dinner."

In the brief moments of this conversation, Rogers had walked a few steps toward Elsa. The table where her hat lay was close at hand. He reached out of a sudden and picked up the quirt which lay partly concealed underneath it, and held it up before his eyes as if studying the knob with the carved head. Elsa continued to walk toward him. Somehow Rogers had managed to center our gaze upon what he was doing. I found myself staring slightly at the quirt. It brought back to mind that vivid scene of Elsa racing madly toward the house, of her horse suddenly checked and the descending lash upon the unsuspecting Chesebro. Elsa's eyes were now fixed upon what Rogers was doing; a sort of fascination gripped her.

"I've been wondering," said Rogers with a faint smile, "what I might find concealed in this thing." He twisted at the knob. It was the wrong way. He reversed the pressure, and the knob slipped slightly like a screw. To my amazement he pulled the knob loose from the handle of the quirt, drawing with it from its concealment a long, thin-bladed knife of finely tempered steel.

"You must have had a very great provocation that morning to murder," Rogers' voice hardened a trifle.

"More than you realize," Elsa flashed. She seemed to stand taller, her gray eyes turned full upon Rogers.

"If I had to guess what that provocation was," began Rogers, as if he were feeling his way into a dark room and would welcome a light, "I should hazard that it had something to do with the picture of you and the baby." He paused for a fraction of a second as if giving Elsa an opportunity to speak, then went on: "The child bore a very strong likeness to Jimmy the Cheese. I assume that he was the father."

"You are correct," said Elsa with dignity.

"George Rumble, after the picture of you and the child appeared in the paper, told me something which rather cleared him of any intent of wrongdoing," Rogers went on. "He said he first saw that picture of you and the baby at your Aunt Kitty's.



"Barry—the black sombrero!"

He asked her about it and your aunt told him that it was your baby—"

"She lied!" Elsa flashed. "I'm not the mother of that baby!" she said fiercely. She added more softly: "I'm glad, though, you told me how George got his information. I never asked him."

Something like a sigh of relief seemed to stir in the room. Elsa stood firmly, defiantly before Rogers, flanked by Reed Barton. Berta sat forward in her seat, an eagerness in her manner, something trembling on her lips. Rogers asked, "Who was the mother, Elsa?"

"Aunt Kitty!"

"Please, may I say something?" said Berta quickly.

"Of course, senora," Rogers turned to her.

"There are some things I should tell," she began in her precise English. "I am not sure that I know these facts; my husband did not know I had so much knowledge. But my cousin, Maria Mendez, who is a nurse at the hospital, told me. Aunt Kitty's child was born in the hospital here at Mazatlan. She came secretly here, wanting to be near her brother, and yet for some strange reason not telling him she was even in the town until after the child was born.

"Later, on a steamer day, she sent word, pretending that she had come ashore for the few hours the steamer stopped. She explained the child by saying the mother had died at sea and she expected to adopt it. Sam went to see her," Berta went on rapidly, a deep fire in her eyes. "She would not come to the rancho, because of me. She would not even permit him to tell me anything about her being here at the time. Only after Maria had told me later something of what had happened, did I learn about it from Sam. But he made me promise never to talk of it. Things, of course"—she gesticulated vehemently with her small, ivory-tinted hands—"are different now. It is time to talk."

"You are right, Senora Chatfield," said Rogers. "It is time to talk." He turned to Elsa, a questioning look in his mild blue eyes, and seemed to wait for some word from her. Elsa had listened to Berta without a change of expression. She now looked at Rogers steadily, her level and she didn't know where I was. After I'd been there nearly a year father one day telegraphed me that Aunt Kitty needed me. That was the first mistake. She never needed anybody. But just the same I flew to San Francisco. I was seventeen, and I didn't have any sense."

Rogers interrupted her. "Won't you sit down, Elsa?"

She smiled at him. "No, thank you," she answered, continuing to stand easily before us. "I met Aunt Kitty when she got off the boat with the baby. Father had written me at San Francisco, telling me what he believed was the truth. I'd had only the telegram. Of course, I was sort of stunned; nothing like this had ever happened to our family. I was very frank to say so; she had it coming to her after the way she'd brought me up. Aunt Kitty turned on me so fiercely I thought she was going to strike me. She denied it was her child. She said Father had lied to me. It was a baby she was going to adopt. But I stuck to the point like the little fool I was. I threatened to kidnap the child and go home with it and announce it as my own. Just to shame her. That was the second mistake. I didn't carry out my threat, but it was only because I couldn't get the child away from her."

"You returned home together, then, you and your aunt?" Rogers suggested.

"Yes. I'd used up all my money in going to San Francisco, and father couldn't send me any more at that time. Aunt Kitty would not give me any to go back to New York. She'd buy me anything I wanted, though, in the way of clothing. She'd never been really generous. I couldn't understand it now. I thought before this that I'd hated her, but we were really only beginning to hate each other.

"Then one day I woke up to what had happened to me, to how you can be the center of gossip and never hear a whisper of it. It's like being in the center of a hurricane, everything is so quiet. Months had passed before the maid one day said something to me about 'my baby.' I was furious. I went to Aunt Kitty. She laughed. The whole town thinks it's yours,' she said. She laughed again. 'And it's going to be yours. You can't prove it's not. You ran away from school, so the school authorities can't help you deny it. It comes down to your word and mine, and who is to be believed before yours. So what?'

"There I was," said Elsa simply. "What could I do? She had me, and I knew it. So all I could do was to go on hating her more and more. When the baby died—it didn't make any difference. I could only go on as I had been going, hating her with every breath I drew, and hoping to live it down some day."

"Tell me now about Chesebro and what happened the other day," instructed Rogers matter-of-factly.

Elsa laughed shortly, but there was no mirth in her voice. "Elsa, the brilliant caricaturist," she said sarcastically, "never saw that resemblance in the child to Jimmy the Cheese. She had to be told by Jimmy himself in one of his several fantastic proposals of marriage." There was a tinge of scorn to her voice. "He'd made advances to me in his elephantine way ever since Aunt Kitty's death. He didn't seem to mean it until a short time ago. I detested him and I told him so. Then came that picture in the paper. He was very contrite that day we went for a ride. He begged a thousand pardons; he groveled before me literally. Then he startled me with the statement that he was the father of the child, and before he was through gabbling he admitted that it was his idea originally and that Aunt Kitty and he gossip be started at home that the child was mine." Elsa's voice ceased for a moment and then took up again in a quiet, dead level tone.

For several moments none of us realized just what we had heard, or at what Elsa had reached the end of her recital. There had been no bitterness in her tone at any time, no emotion until she had come to Chesebro, when something of that immense anger she had shown on that day she turned so savagely upon the man who had been at the bottom of all of her troubles glowed in the fiery pinpoints in her eyes. Rogers' voice startled me when he finally spoke.

"You make that statement of your own free will, do you, Elsa?"

"Why, yes, of course."

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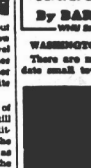
# Let's Face Facts

*Country Areas Attract Future Home Builders, Careful Survey Shows*

By BARROW LYONS

WNU Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There are many signs that up-to-date small towns in most parts of the United States will experience a expansion that spells prosperity after the war. This page out between the lines of a survey conducted by Small Homes Guide, a magazine devoted to home building, which indicates that more than a third of the people planning to build homes after the war prefer small towns and country areas.



Barrow Lyons

This survey was the result of questionnaires in the magazine which almost 20,000 readers voluntarily filled in and sent to the editor. The questions were drafted on scientific principles so that unbiased answers, which truly reflected the intentions of those answering them, would be obtained. The returns came from all sections of the country, and are considered a good sample of average American reactions.

Only 8 per cent of the people intending to build homes after the war expect to settle down in large cities, the survey revealed, and 17 per cent expect to build in medium sized cities. Those expecting to build in suburban areas were 40 per cent of the total. But 34 per cent expect to build right out in the country, and 16 per cent want to build in small towns. Two per cent of those returning questionnaires did not say in what type of community they wished to live.

These answers show that many people have become disturbed over crowded living conditions in the cities during the war. Also, letters from members of the armed forces indicate that there are phases of outdoor life that appeal to them.

Aside from the psychological reasons for selecting the country and small towns, there are many economic reasons why much building will be done in rural areas after the war.

### *Some of the Reasons*

For one thing, transportation facilities will be improved greatly. Road building on a large scale is being planned to provide employment for returning servicemen. Developments in engine design and new types of fuel will make transportation more economical and comfortable. Competition between bus lines, air transport and railways will lead to accelerate improvements. As speed is increased, distance is cut down and the country is brought to the city.

Then, there are many war industries which have been scattered around in rural areas, which will be converted to peace-time production; and there is a slowly developing movement toward decentralization of industry, which means establishment of more small plants in the country. Development of chemurgical processes, whereby farm products are used more and more as industrial materials, is on the way.

Equalization of freight rates for the south and west, which is now being vigorously sought by the Governors of Southern Governors, undoubtedly would lead to the development of country areas, which long have suffered from rate discrimination. The Department of the Interior, under Secretary Ickes, is supposed to have extensive reclamation projects in the west, which would tend to build up many of the Western states to support greatly expanded populations.

### *New Designs Wanted*

One of the points brought out in the survey was a leaning toward homes of low, rambling design, which is in sharp contrast with the old fashioned, cramped, two-story dwelling with dark basement and steep stairs. This unquestionably means that more people will seek country areas where land is cheap, so that they may spread out floor plans as they desire.

Every small community should look over its resources now, to make sure it is going to get its share of the new building, and consequent merchandising, that will come to it. It should consider whether it is getting a fair break in relation to new super-highways that are to be constructed. It should have adequate schools, hospital facilities, amusement and shopping centers, police and fire protection, libraries and street lighting systems. It should have equitable real estate and taxation programs, and honest and progressive town and county governments.

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There should be plans to take up the employment slack in agricultural off seasons, and an aggressive Chamber of Commerce or Community council to bring desirable industries to the town.

All of these things are important, if the merchants and bankers are to prosper as greatly as the possibilities of their location warrant.

Business analysts studying this trend see for the small town centers a large business, and along with him the building supply dealer in the community.

# Washington Digest

## Egg Glut Calls Attention To School-Lunch Question

### House of Representatives Decides Against Spending Taxpayers' Money on Food for School Children After July 1.

By BAUKHAGE

*News Analyst and Commentator.*

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

You have often heard the lament when goods are scarce and the larder was bare: "If we only had some ham and had some eggs, we could have ham and eggs."

If we had the man power and the machinery, equipment and distribution, we could step up American food production until, by 1954, we could feed 300 million people. That is what the Department of Agriculture says. Last year, we raised enough to feed 179 million.

Today, Washington is worrying over two problems brought into focus by that little "if."

The first was how to over-production of one food product: eggs. Government agents are hurrying around trying to find a means of absorbing them. America has more eggs than were ever in the store for fair shorse in our history, enough to have relled some on the White House lawn on Easter Monday if the President had permitted such a wastage, which he wouldn't.

The government is buying eggs right and left (600 thousand cases of shell eggs, 13 million pounds of powdered eggs since January 1) to support the farmer's price, and giving some away — and here is where problem number two, which I said Washington was worrying about, comes in. We are giving away eggs to state and federal institutions and also for school lunches. After July 1, school lunches, supported by the federal government, will be no more if the senate follows the action of the house and refuses the appropriation for that purpose. And regardless of eggs, there is developing the other situation over which certain people in Washington are worried. I'll go into that later, but first, let us look at the egg glut.

We are told that we could feed a lot more people if we had the man power, equipment and machinery to produce the food. In the case of eggs, we could consume far more if we had the man power to run the drying equipment to produce the powdered eggs for the military forces and lend-lease although those institutions now consume 600 million pounds of egg-powder a year, and eggs run about three dozen to one pound of powder.

### *About Hen Power*

In this case, the man power doesn't matter, the hen power. A contraption called a cyclator dries eggs. All you have to do is to crack the egg and drop it into a container and let the artificial breezes blow, but it's hard to get crackers. One Kansas City drier who has a wage ceiling of 50 cents an hour for his crackers, has to compete with an airplane plant in the neighborhood which has a 65 cent an hour ceiling, for work no less attractive to young ladies than breaking eggs.

Right now, the country boasts the biggest hen population it ever had and egg production 5 per cent higher than it was just before the war. Ever since March, something has gotten into the hens that has made them step up their production — but they have evidently got hard to get as it couldn't have been something they ate. Maybe it's just patriotism. Anyhow, the War Food administration is buying all the eggs it can, now it is giving eggs to schools for school lunches and to state and federal institutions, not entirely because it has a generous heart but because it wants to support the price to the farmer who (as usual) hasn't been getting the benefit of the retail prices which, in many places, have stayed up even in the face of the greater supply. Washington, however, was able to buy eggs for the Easter rabbit this year, 18 cents a dozen cheaper than they were in March.

This egg glut has brought into sharp focus the school-lunch question which is of considerable concern to the Office of Education as well as the War Food administration.

The present laying spree of the hens will not last forever, and there will be no eggs to throw around later on. And anyhow, the house of representatives has decided that even if there were a surplus of eggs and other food products, it does not approve of spending the taxpayers' money on school lunches even if the four or five million school children won't get hot lunches after July 1 of this year.

Not all the parents of all of the four or five millions of school children are taxpayers. In fact, the truth is that many of them are too poor to buy a dessert, or in some cases any, lunch for their children. The richer ones who can afford a lunch will have to be satisfied with cold ones and the chances are they won't get nearly as healthy a one as if it were provided by a school where parent-teacher and other groups have seen to it that a balanced diet is provided.

### *Educators Worried*

The worries the Office of Education which is still working on congress to "get an appropriation through to continue the school lunch idea.

School lunches started as "made work" back in the days of depression and the WPA. The original idea was to provide employment for women. But as the idea developed, it was discovered that here was an opportunity to do two things; to improve the health of school children and to absorb farm surpluses.

So the WPA furnished the women power and some equipment and the Department of Agriculture furnished the food. For awhile, the department took the actual responsibility of buying the food and delivering it. Later, when the WPA went out of business, and in many cases local sponsors took care of the service, the Department of Agriculture merely contributed a certain amount of money (nine cents per child, matched by nine cents from the local community). This came out of funds provided for the purchase of surplus commodities and the school bought the food itself.

The proponents of the school lunch point out that on the principle that as a twig is bent the tree is inclined, furnishing a balanced lunch to school children will build good eating habits which will affect the whole community. It also points out that now that so many schools, especially in rural areas, have been consolidated with one school and bus service drawing children from many distant places, children can't go home to get a good hot lunch. Many can't afford to bring food with them.

Of course, the community ought to look after this question itself and in most communities great interest has been shown and local authorities have cooperated. But in the poorer communities which have the greatest need, it is impossible, and even in the richer locations it isn't easy, to get money for things pertaining to the schools — as school teachers' salaries all over the country testify.

Unless the appropriation bill now before the Senate Appropriations committee is accepted and passed by both houses, the next time the hens step up production, the school children won't benefit nor will they feast at federal expense even if other farm products are so plentiful the government has to buy them up to protect prices.

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### *News From London*

The London Daily Mail sets up a little special edition for the United States—a digest. It is photographed in London on microfilm, flown over to this country, enlarged to a four to six page brochure, about the size of ordinary typewritten sheets.

I do not know how large a circulation it has obtained so far or whether it is achieving its purpose of mutual understanding but it often contains some rather interesting items. For instance:

John Henry Jones, a 40-year-old steel smelter, came to America with other British trade unionists to visit our war factories. The Daily Mail quotes his reply to one of his wife's questions when he got back: "How about wages? Is the American worker really better off than the British worker?" And this is what Mr. Jones replied:

"Taking a chap with the same size house, same number of children, doing the same job as his counterpart over here — No. Our house here would cost $18 a month clear, in rent. A similar house in the States would run away with $30 a month."

Fifty per cent of the outdoor advertising space in the city of Madrid must be reserved for the use of Spain's totalitarian party to present messages of the Phalangists.

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One million fewer work accidents in the next 12 months is the goal set by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins for attainment by American labor and management.

## BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

Gasoline needs in this war are 20 times greater than in the last one, according to the U. S. Petroleum Administration for War.

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Since Dunkirk, more than 14,000,000 food packages have been sent by or through the British Red Cross to British prisoners of war in Europe, the British Information services report.

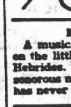

Musical Beach

A musical beach is to be found on the little island of Eigg, in the Hebrides. It gives out a shrill, sonorous note, the source of which has never been explained.

SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

Manufacture is impossible even for a minute on some of the tiny islands in the Netherlands East Indies, source of natural rubber country. Air transport is now carrying in the rubber, destined for Java's busy areas. Long ago Java got her first rubber trees, with them 100 to 150 mile rubber trees serving as rest-to-port roads.

The airports built this year in the United States will cost $1 billion, about. Many of them will be used only a few years, but the material will not be wasted. It will make another record or sub-normal conditions, being used three or four times when the time comes for them to be used in one way or "remodeling" them.



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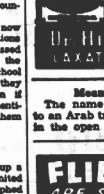
Longest Snakes

Pythons in Africa and the anacondas of Brazil, which may grow to a length of 30 feet, are the longest snakes in the world.

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# Blouses of Mexican Influence Are Such Gay Little Flatterers!

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



SPRING'S in the air and far-sighted girls with an eye to week-ends are organizing their spring and summer wardrobe right now so as to be ourselves when the great outdoors calls to sports and "off duty" recreation.

The big idea these days in regard to clothes is to "make your own." It is easy to sew and if you plan your costumes so that with the aid of accessories and interchangeable parts they may be made to play a many-purpose role, you'll find that a very few things can go very far. A good suit especially, plus a collection of really attractive blouses, can take you anywhere in "style."

Blouses are tremendously important this year and they dress a suit up or down according to occasion. So start sewing today. There's a whole world of innovation and fashion news you can sew into each blouse. You are limited only by your imagination, which requires practically no outlay—just planning and doing with a will.

Of course, the first step is to choose your material. Cottons are a fine bet this year. Select your cottons carefully, eyelet embroidery for one, organdy for another and a good substantial and gaily colorful printed linen for a third. Each one of these will tub perfectly and you can see by the models pictured how pretty-pretty they will look.

The next big essential in making your own blouses is to get a smart easy-to-follow pattern. The same pattern has been used for each of the three beguiling blouses pictured, which is a good idea for the girl who does her own sewing. Using versatile materials will differentiate their appearance.

Prettiness itself is stressed in the pattern of simplicity selected for this trio of blouses. Throughout the entire style program simplicity is the big idea this spring. You see this demonstrated especially in the new blouses that feature naive low-cut necklines and quaint little puffed sleeves that definitely portray simplicity design. It adds to the lure of the blouses pictured that they are so a la Mexicana in their picturesqueness.

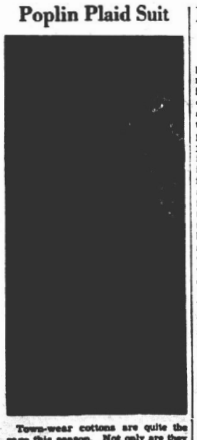
The first of these blouse "lovelies" (pictured to the left) is made of a gay Mexican printed linen. It has one of the new adjustable drawstring necklines. Tied close to your throat it is simply perfect to wear right now with your spring suit. Later on the neckline can go more decollette. Worn with the popular dirndl skirt you'll love it. Wear it for sports or dress as the mood moves you.

A big play is being made on fine white sheers sweetly fashioned with myriads of frivolous little ruffles, beautified with exquisite handwork. Centered in the group is a lovely blouse of sheerest white organdy. The pert little ruffles go definitely South American in that they take on gay colored embroidery accents. This model has the fashionable deep U-neckline that can be drawn high or low for out and out flattery.

A dream of a blouse in spanking white eyelet embroidery is shown to the right. Wear it with a short skirt in the day—either a color-bright dirndl or a slim wrap-around crepe skirt. It makes good also as an evening blouse worn with a floor-length skirt. A self ruffle around the neck and "little girl" puffed sleeves are your guarantee that this charming eyelet model, so definitely speaking "simplicity design," will make you look your most winsome. A huge Mexican straw hat worn with this blouse will stress the picturesque note.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## Poplin Plaid Suit



Town-wear cottons are quite the rage this season. Not only are they made up stunningly, but women are taking great care to see that the washables are of the everfast type that tube perfectly.

There's style distinction in the tailoring of this chic costume, with special emphasis on the nicely detailed bracelet sleeves and the buttons. Note the extreme tilt of the smart little chapeau. It brings you the latest news as to how we will be wearing our little berets and pill-boxes and wee sailors this spring and summer—tilted way to one side!

## Florals Are Motif of New Border Prints

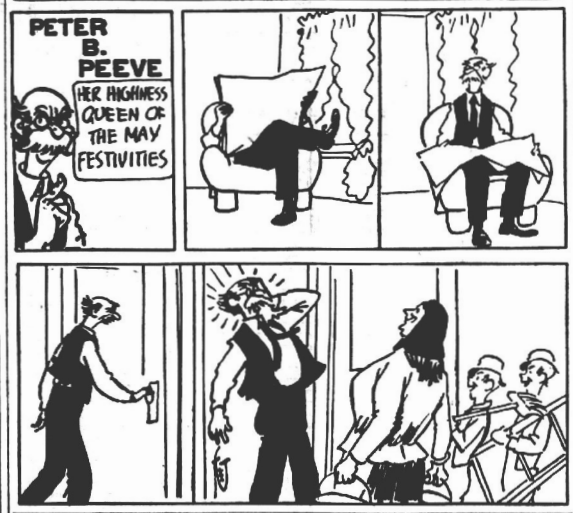
When it comes to the new border prints only seeing is believing how really beautiful they are. We have in mind the piques and crepes and old-fashioned long cloth weaves that are usually white or a pastel monotone with enormous spaced florals perhaps only one, two or three to the yard. The full-blown rose is a favorite motif and they look exactly as if they had been hand-painted on the fabric background. They won't fade away, ease your mind about that, for the creators of everfast materials have kept thoughtfully before them that modern washables must be both sun-proof and suds-proof to satisfy the demands of the fabric-wise women of today. You will be wanting a dress of the everfast border-print gingham which has the "something different" look about it which every woman covets. In these ginghams stripes and checks are woven all of a piece with a wide border banding separating the new patterns.

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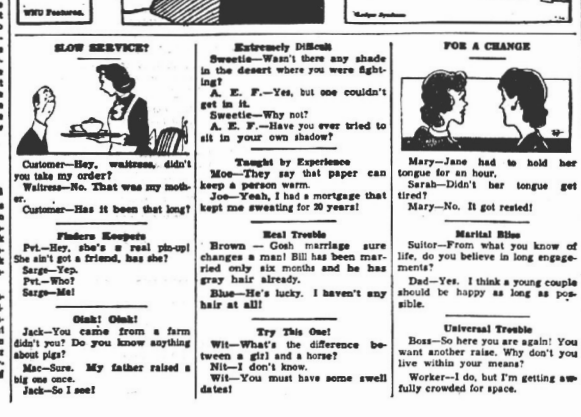
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| MALCOLM McCLELLAN | |
| EARNEST OVERSTREET | |
| RAY SELDEN | |
| BILL SHAYNE | |
| J. MARK WILCOX | X |

*WOMEN—(Vote for Three)*

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| MRS. O. M. (Florence) CARTER | X |
| MRS. WALTER CLARK | |
| BEULAH HOOKS HANNAH | |
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## Our Men In The Service

Robert Park Delaney Jr., with the U. S. navy somewhere in the South Pacific, has been promoted from fireman first, class to motor machinists mate, third class. Seaman Delaney was awarded a Meritorius Mast citation on Feb. 16, '44, signed by Lieut. John P. Dore, his commanding officer. The citation, which he has sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Delaney reads: "You are hereby commended by me as commanding officer of this ship for conduct during battle, and for your splendid work and unflinching performance of regular and extra duties in the bold Kevajalein operations of Jan. 31 and the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of February, which attacks contributed greatly to the conquering of the Japanese held Marshall Islands."

Lt. J. E. Wilkes, air corps pilot, is now somewhere in England, according to word received from him by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wilkes, the first letter being received the early part of April.

Pvt. R. H. Lawhon, clerk in his base unit, has been transferred from Daniel Field, Augusta, Ga., to Robins Field at Macon Ga.

Chief Yeoman Chas. P. Kempton writes from somewhere in South America, where he is with a dirigable group, establishing a new center of actions. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kempton.

Clarence E. Crabtree, Pharmacist mate 1jc, received a medical discharge from the navy on April 27, and returned to Avon Park Friday. Mr. Crabtree enlisted Dec. 15, 1943, and was at first stationed at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Jacksonville. Later, he was transferred to a receiving ship in Savannah, Ga., and from there was transferred to the Charleston Navy Yard, Charleston, S. C.

### Funeral Services Held Oh Tuesday For Mrs. Skipper

Mrs. Mary Cornelia Skipper, 72, pioneer resident, passed away Sunday, April 30 at her home west of Avon Park, following a two weeks illness. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the Hart cemetery, with interment in the family burial plot, Rev. Angus McClelland, pastor of the Baptist church at Mulberry, formerly pastor of the New Hope Church, conducted the services. The choir sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" and "Sweet Bye and Bye."

Casketbearers were John Skipper, Ike Hart, Hubert Lanier, Lonnie Skipper, Martin Roberts, and David Stuckey.

Mrs. Skipper was born June 15, 1871 in Thomasville, Georgia. She came to Florida with her parents, when she was five years of age, the family settling in old DeSoto county. They lived in a log house, which they built on the site of the present home, and which was later replaced with the house in which the late Mr. Skipper took his wife as a bride and where they lived together for more than 50 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Skipper were married July 17, 1890, to which union was born six children, five of whom are living. They celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary four years ago. Mr. Skipper, who was engaged in cattle raising passed away two years ago on April 27, 1942. Mrs. Skipper was a member of the first Baptist Church, Avon Park. She was a beautiful christian character, and a devoted companion and mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Skipper are laid to rest side by side in the Hart cemetery, the five acre site on which the cemetery is located being deeded to the heirs of the family by Mrs. Skipper's father, the late W. H. Hart, many years ago, with the stipulation that members of the family and friends could be buried there but that no lot was to be sold. The first person to be buried in the cemetery was Mr. and Mrs. Hart's five year old son.

Surviving relatives include three daughters, Mrs. Ida Collins and Mrs. Mary Smith, Avon Park, and Mrs. Willard Smith, Williston; two sons, Clinton and Herman Skipper, Avon Park; two sisters, Mrs. Shade Williams, Orlando, Mrs. H. A. Lanier, Zolfo Springs; and two brothers, R. L. Hart, Smithfield, N. C., and Walter Hart, Orlando.

### Earl Ware Buys Sun Court Building

Earl H. Ware announced this week that he had purchased the Sun Court building from R. V. Covington of Jacksonville. He took possession as of May 1. Mr. Ware stated he had plans for improving the property.

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### THEY'RE IN RUN-OFF



Millard Caldwell (left) and Lex Green, high man, and runner-up respectively in the governor's race in the first primary go into the run-off May 23.

## OPA Rolls Back Beer Prices But Dealers Keep Their Beer

OPA officials visited Avon Park Friday, and rolled back the price of beer from the prevailing prices of 15-20 cents to 11 and 16 cents.

Beer dealers were called into a meeting, conducted by J. F. Elliott, price analyst, was told them that they must get their prices in line with their March 1942 price ceilings. Retail price of beer was frozen as of Oct. 1-15, 1941.

Most dealers admitted selling beer at 10 and 15 cents up to March, 1942, which would fix their ceiling at 11 and 16 cents now. A few out of town places on the roads were selling at the higher prices in 1942 and can now continue the same charges.

But local beer dealers came to an agreement among themselves to discontinue the sale of beer for the time being. They cannot sell Florida beer at 11 cents and make a profit, they say.

Higher priced beer, labor, rents and living expenses make the 11-16 cent ceiling unattractive to them, they say. Icing, handling and serving of beer is a laborious job, they say, and they are not willing to handle it at the established OPA prices.

Dealers say they cannot get enough beer to keep them running, anyway, and some of the places are closed half of the time. The new ceiling price was effective immediately after the meeting, it was announced. So the dealers shut off selling and the town is beer dry.

Price Panel Chairman T. J. Ward asked beer dealers to sign a statement agreeing to comply with prices. Most of them did, but settled their problem by cutting off the sale of beer entirely.

O. W. Kuhn, associate price analyst, checked grocery stores and markets Friday, doing individual work with the stores. The grocery business was reported in good condition, with 99 per cent compliance with the law, Elliott stated.

Apparel store owners of Avon Park and Sebring attended a meeting at the Florida Power Corp. rooms Friday morning, and were given instruction in preparation of pricing charts by Mrs. Mary S. Brennan, field representative of the Tampa OPA office. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mrs. Brennan warned the merchants of an early check up to find out whether the stores are in compliance. Members of the price panel attending were T. J. Ward, chairman, Capt. H. N. Pugh of APAAF and Wm. Hauptmann.

### Charles Cannon and Bill Hood Enjoy Washington Trip

Charles Cannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cannon and Bill Hood, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hood, winners in the recent salvage campaign, are enjoying a reward for their efforts in a trip to Wahington, D. C., leaving here last Friday. They are both staying at the home of Mrs. Julia Mason Smith, former Avon Park resident, and spent last Sunday at the C. H. Moffett home in Rockville, Maryland. The Moffetts are also formerly of this city.

Both of these high school students tied in the final results of the salvage drive, as they were voted the two who contributed the most to the successful city-wide campaign. Byrum Shockley, chairman of the drive, had offered the Washington trip to the boy or girl who won this honor. The boys drew straws and Bill won. The Rotary Club hearing of this, volunteered to furnish the funds for the other boy's trip, so the two are now enjoying a well earned vacation in the capitol. They are expected home Sunday.

## Junior - Senior Banquet Social Event Of Friday

Pine Crest Lakes Club was gayly reminiscent of the Wild West on Friday evening, when the juniors chose this delightful theme as the keynote for the annual junior-senior banquet of '44. The interior of the dining room was the replica of a Western ranch, with saddles, halters, and cactus plants further enchancing the effect. Bear skins attached to the walls augmented the chosen motif.

The long banquet table was beautifully arranged with bouquets of red roses, while miniature log cabins and toy pistols were placed at intervals the length of the table. Places were designated by gay little somberos to which was attached a name card, and the favors were small corncob pipes. A typical program and menu was inscribed on clever menus in red and white, the high school colors.

In striking contrast to the theme of the affair, were the many lovely formal gowns worn by the guests, the colors ranging from the soft pastel shades of spring to the ever popular black and white models. The attractiveness of each gown was offset by a corsage from the "date" of the evening.

James Perdue was toastmaster for the evening, the toast to the seniors being given by Sammy Longbottom, and the response by Bobby Keller. Ronald Trimpe led the toast to the sophomores, with the response given by Lawrence Hagan. The toast to the freshmen was by Morris Suggs, and the response by Gene Bradley. Wigfred Archer gave the toast to the faculty, and Miss Marie Anderson responsed. The final toast was to the school, and was given by Mary Elizabeth Hall. A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal of the school, gave the address of the evening. Music from the Avon Park Army Air Field played western melodies during the banquet and program, and furnished music throughout the evening.

In keeping with the predominance of the western theme, the program centered "Around the Campfire on the Range," the guide reading:

Cowbell Jingles — Range Songs
Guide to the Trail — Toastmaster
Old Rangers — Toast To Seniors
Tenderfeet — Response
Songs of the Camp Fire — music
2nd Class Tenderfeet — Toast to Sophomores
Mountain Echo — Response
3rd Class Tenderfeet — Toast to Freshman
Echo No. 2 — Response
Trail Blazers — Toast to Faculty
Blazers Echo — Response
Cow Tunes — Music
The Old Corral — Toast to School
The Last Roundup — Speech
The menu, termed the "Chuck Wagon" featured Indian Firewater, Fowl ala Prairie with Dude Clothes, Powdered Desert Rocks, Green Buckshot, Baked sourdough, Frozen Cow's Milk, Rusty Water and Java.

### OPERETTA POSTPONED

The operetta, which was to have been held Thursday evening of this week, has been postponed due to the illness of several of the characters. Announcement will be made of a new date when the operetta will be presented.

## Unofficial Returns In County Primary

| | 1—Avon Park | 2—Sebring | 3—DeSoto City | 4—Lake Placid | 5—Venus | 6—Sycamore | 7—Basinger | 8—Brighton | 9—Lorida | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **County Judge:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| HOWARD LIVINGSTON | 560 | 1105 | 87 | 281 | 40 | 19 | 17 | 4 | 70 | 2183 |
| S. COLQUITT PARDEE | 646 | 261 | 81 | 66 | 29 | 6 | 16 | 4 | 72 | 1181 |
| **Sheriff:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOM DIMBERLINE | 158 | 313 | 20 | 20 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 527 |
| E. G. (SHORTY) LONG | 165 | 353 | 67 | 108 | 19 | 4 | 12 | 2 | 44 | 774 |
| W. A. ROBERTS | 383 | 29 | 6 | 9 | 2 | .. | 4 | .. | 8 | 441 |
| DOYLE SCHUMACHER | 561 | 718 | 89 | 234 | 50 | 19 | 22 | 5 | 110 | 1808 |
| **Tax Collector:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| FRANK ARMISTEAD | 891 | 295 | 46 | 196 | 38 | 13 | 25 | 9 | 97 | 1610 |
| PHILLIP CORRELL | 123 | 373 | 71 | 47 | 8 | 1 | 3 | .. | 12 | 638 |
| DAN G. YOUNG | 187 | 665 | 55 | 101 | 19 | 11 | 7 | .. | 37 | 1082 |
| **Superintendent of Public Instruction:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| JIM F. MELTON | 321 | 755 | 85 | 211 | 37 | 14 | 14 | 6 | 65 | 1508 |
| FRED WILD | 852 | 589 | 80 | 113 | 28 | 12 | 23 | 1 | 82 | 1780 |
| **Constable, District 1:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| R. S. MASSEY | 488 | | | | | | | | | 488 |
| WILEY SAULS | 269 | | | | | | | | | 269 |
| THOMAS WELLS | 421 | | | | | | | | | 421 |
| **Justice of the Peace, District 1:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| TROY A. COX | 560 | | | | | | | | | 560 |
| ALTON ELDER | 610 | | | | | | | | | 610 |
| **Member Board of Public Instruction, District 2:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| T. V. CONWAY | | 634 | | | | | | | | 634 |
| J. P. LIGHTHISER | | 544 | | | | | | | | 544 |
| **County Commissioner, District 2:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| GEO. E. SEBRING | | 629 | | | | | | | | 629 |
| ARTHUR J. TUBES | | 704 | | | | | | | | 704 |
| **Constable, District 2:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. A. BATES | | 693 | 52 | | | | 13 | | 58 | 816 |
| CLYDE CHAPMAN | | 80 | 2 | | | | 2 | | 3 | 87 |
| GEORGE W. COLLIER | | 126 | 77 | | | | 5 | | 31 | 239 |
| MYLES COLLIER | | 35 | 6 | | | | .. | | 2 | 43 |
| THOMAS E. WILSON | | 55 | 3 | | | | .. | | | 58 |
| HUDSON YARBROUGH | | 248 | 32 | | | | 16 | | 44 | 340 |
| **Justice of the Peace, District 2:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| W. L. LONG | | 829 | 84 | | | | 17 | | 74 | 733 |
| F. M. YOUNG | | 383 | 49 | | | | 19 | | 33 | 484 |
| **County Commissioner, District 3:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| SOL McCLELLAND | | | 109 | | | | 34 | | 82 | 225 |
| LEWIS POLLARD | | | 30 | | | | | | 10 | 40 |
| R. L. STOKES | | | 40 | | | | 6 | | 82 | 122 |
| **County Commissioner, District 4:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| CLAUD A. CASS | | | | 63 | | | | 5 | | 68 |
| L. L. HENDERSON | | | | 84 | | | | 4 | | 88 |
| A. C. McAULAY | | | | 150 | | | | | | 150 |
| T. L. SIMPSON | | | | 75 | | | | | | 75 |
| **State Senator:** | | | | | | | | | | |
| CLIETT | 417 | 318 | 54 | 86 | 5 | 6 | 11 | .. | 35 | 932 |
| DUNHAM | 167 | 194 | 13 | 31 | 11 | 6 | 1 | .. | 4 | 427 |
| JONES | 119 | 119 | 18 | 65 | 19 | 7 | 3 | .. | 14 | 364 |
| KING | 416 | 514 | 65 | 119 | 21 | 1 | 18 | .. | 52 | 1206 |

## Schumacher, Livingston, Armistead, Wild Winners

### *Elder Beats Cox; Massey-Wells and King-Cliett Run Off*

Doyle Schumacher was nominated for sheriff, with a majority over his three opponents in the first primary in Tuesday's election; Howard Livingston won over S. C. Pardee for county judge; Fred Wild defeated Jim F. Melton for county superintendant of public instruction; and Frank Armistead was high man in a three cornered race for tax collector and was conceded the nomination by Dan Young, next high man, who withdrew Friday.

Armistead received 1610, Young, 1082; and Correll, 638 in the unofficial returns. He lacked only 110 votes of receiving a majority, according to these figures. There were some 60 absentee ballots, which could not have affected the outcome. Young, however, decided that he would draw out of the run-off, and so notified the canvassing board Friday.

Wilbur C. King was high man in the state senate race, followed by William Cliett, and the two will will run it off in the second primary.

Robert S. Massey was high in the constable's race, and will enter the run off with Thomas Wells.

Alton Elder nosed out Troy Cox by 50 votes in a close race for justice of the peace.

In Sebring, all races were settled in the first primary. Arthur J. Tubbs defeated George E. Sebring, Jr., for county commissioner; T. V. Conway, incumbent, won over J. P. "Dad" Lighthiser for school board; W. L. Long defeated F. M. Young for justice of the peace, and A. A. Bates, incumbent received a majority in the six-man race for constable.

Sol McClelland, running for re-election as commissioner in district three, had a majority over his two opponents and is in.

In district four, A. C. McAulay will be in the run off with L. L. Henderson.

In the state senate race, 27th district which comprises Highlands, DeSoto, Hardee and Glades, the unofficial vote gave King 3141; Cliett 2600; Dunham 1713; and Jones 1483.

Highlands county gave King 1206 votes; Cliett, 932; Dunham, 427 and Jones, 364.

County returns were being canvassed Friday, and absentee ballots counted. There were not enough absentee ballots to change the result of the election, according to Supervisor Roland Drott.

There were 5606 votes cast in the county out of a registration of 5261.

Latest state-wide returns showed Millard Caldwell to be high man in the governor's race, and he and Lex Green are in the run off. Latest available figures gave: Caldwell, 111,347; Green, 106,592; Graham, 88,970; Upchurch, 28,608; Baker, 26,875; Sheldon, 26,462.

Senator Pepper topped the field in his race for renomination, receiving a majority of over 5000 votes over his four opponents. Pepper got 182,728 votes against a total of 177,701 for his four opponents.

The Sun issued election returns and kept a bulletin board posted throughout the night. Dutch Carter handled the public address system announcing state and county returns. County returns were received through the courtesy of the Inter County Telephone & Telegraph company, which installed a special phone in the Sun office for the purpose. State returns were received by radio and announced over the loud speaker.

Unofficial returns are tabulated in another column.

Other certain winners were J. M. Lee for state comptroller, Colin English for state superintendent of public instruction, J. Tom Watson for attorney general and W. B. "Doc" Douglas for state railroad commissioner.

Highlands county's vote in the race for U. S. Senate was as follows:

Pepper, 1967; Millard Conklin, 704; J. Ollie Edmunds, 330; Finley Mosher, 177. The vote in the county for governor was as follows:

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## Invasion Hour To Be Observed With Prayer

Arrangements have been made when D Day arrives, and it is known that the invasion has begun, that the fire siren will sound several short blasts, day or night, so that all citizens may know that this important day has arrived.

The American Legion, at its meeting Wednesday night, went on record as requesting all the churches in the city, to open their doors at this time, for observance of prayer. It is noted that as a large number of Avon Park men are in the armed forces, many of whom will no doubt take an active part in the invasion, that the significance of the day will be brought close to the hearts of many loved ones here, who will join with other families and friends in prayer for the safety of their return to their homes.

The Church of the Redeemer has issued a notation to all its members, informing them that the plan of their service will be to set aside three hours for special intercessions beginning on the first hour after the news has been confirmed. The pastor, Rev. John E. Daley, informs the members of the church, through this letter, that should the news come after midnight, that prayers and intercessions will begin at 9:00 o'clock the following morning.

### Eight White Men Leave For Navy

White men of Highlands county who will be inducted into the Navy on May 9, and sent to Jacksonville, have been announced by the Highlands county Local Board as follows: John Wilson Carver, Lake Placid; Lewis Isaac Butler, Sebring; Robert Alton Anderson, Bowling Green; Raymond Eugene Purvis, Sebring; Benjamin Franklin Morgan, Pensacola; Walter Lamar Williams, and Roy Jack Bennett, Avon Park; and Ervin Lee Haager, Lake Placid.

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FRED WILD
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Wild of Avon Park, winner in the primary over Jim Melton of Sebring. He will succeed Col. F. N. K. Bailey as county School superintendent.

### Fire Department Has Two Calls Over Week End

The fire department was called to Ware Furniture company at 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon, where a blaze started from a trash pile near a back window, flared up, the heat breaking the window panes, and damaging the building and some furniture right near the window. The damage was estimated at about $25.00, according to Fire Chief Wilbur Giddens.

Another fire at Wells Motor company on Monday morning caused damage to the extent of $35.00 or $40.00. The fire was caused by a short circuit in wiring in the battery charger. In addition to damage to the battery charger, the building was slightly damaged.

### BIRTH

Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Jordon are announcing the arrival of a baby son, weighing eight and one-half pounds, who arrived Wednesday, May 3. The young man has been named Marshall Edward.

## C. of C. To Elect New Directors By May 15

The nominating committee of the Chamber of Commerce submitted the following names to a special meeting of the organization on Thursday morning, from which five names will be elected to serve as the board of directors. The ten names that were named are Bill Kerr, Dr. R. H. Jordan, Fred Spatz, Virgil Hall, S. S. Thayer, Harry Price, W. M. Hetherington, Rev. E. S. Hedgebeth, W. F. Dye, and T. J. Ward. The nominating committee was composed of Dr. R. H. Jordan, chairman, R. R. Brown, and F. W. Spatz.

A ballot has been mailed to each member of the chamber of commerce, with which was enclosed a self-addressed envelope. The marked ballots may either be returned through the mail, or dropdep in a ballot box at the chamber of commerce on or before May 15.

### Eggs Lead All as Best Food Buy

Humpty-Dumpty continued his disputed reign as king of abundant foods as May opened, with white potatoes contending for regal honors, according to R. P. Howard, Area Supervisor of the War Food Administration's Office of Distribution.

"There is little likelihood," he said, "of a decline in the record-breaking egg supply before mid-May. Moderate prices and the high food value of eggs have made them an ideal leader of the month's Best-Food-Buy parade. In addition, large supplies of 1943-crop potatoes are still on hand, and new potatoes are moving rapidly to market. White potatoes cannot be ignored in the list of best buys."

Other foods in the list are canned and green wax beans, oranges, peanut butter, citrus marmalade, dry-mix and dehydrated soups; soy flour, grits, and flakes; macaroni, spaghetti, and noodles; wheat flour and bread, oatmeal, and rye breakfast foods.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# Unending Allied Air Offensive Blasts Nazi's Western Defenses, Railroads; Lag Seen in Farm Machinery Output; Dutch East Indies Bombed by British

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Camp Gordon, Fla.—Newspaper men touring southeastern camps ride amphibious tank at Camp Gordon, Johnston, Fla.

## EUROPE:
### *Unending Raids*

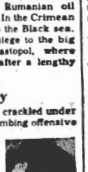
An unending procession of U. S. and British bombers soared over western Europe blasting the invasion path, while in the Balkans to the southeast, Axis forces went over to the attack to shore up the Russians' drive on Rumania and Hungary.

Big bombers, medium bombers and strafing fighter planes all participated in the Allied aerial attacks on France, the Lowlands and Germany, with rail communications leading to the invasion coast and airports and aircraft factories the principal targets. In one 36-hour period alone, Allied aviators made no less than 6,000 individual flights over the west.

Axis counterattacks in the Balkans took form as the Russians advanced on Carpathian mountain passes leading into the rolling Hungarian plains, and other Red forces threatened the rich Rumanian oil fields around Ploesti. In the Crimean peninsula jutting into the Black sea, Russian forces laid siege to the big naval base of Sevastopol, where Axis troops flocked after a lengthy retreat.

### *Demand Loyalty*

As western Europe crackled under the Allies' savage bombing offensive to clear the invasion path, Nazi No. 2 Hermann Goering and Nazi No. 3 Joseph Goebbels used Hitler's 55th birthday to loudly appeal to the German people for unquestioned loyalty during the hectic period to follow.



Hermann Goering

Said Goering: "A thousand dangers may lie ahead . . . New anxieties and burdens may prove inevitable . . . No sacrifice and no privation should be too great to make for Germany . . . Our gift to the fuehrer is our vow not to lay down arms until we have assured the Reich's future."

Said Goebbels: " . . . Even the greatest leaders of history will be faced with occasional setbacks and defeats . . . It will not be possible to form an accurate and just idea of the individual war events and factors which have been decisive in the war until the war is over . . . So to serve our aims means to be loyal to the fuehrer and to follow him through all the storms of war. . . ."

## FOREIGN HOLDINGS:
### *U. S. Stake*

After a canvass of more than 200,000 individuals, estates and trusts, and 16,000 business firms, the U. S. Treasury established American holdings in more than 50 foreign countries at $13,300,000,000.

Although two-thirds of the holdings of household goods, bonds and factories are in Allied or friendly nations, U. S. national's stake in Axis or occupied countries totals $3,775,000,000, of which $1,290,000,000 is in Germany, $265,000,000 in Italy, $90,000,000 in Japan, $65,000,000 in Rumania and $55,000,000 in Hungary.

By far the largest U. S. investments are in Canada, aggregating $4,375,000,000 and holdings in Great Britain total $1,020,000,000. Investments in Cuba amount to $785,000,000; Mexico, $420,000,000; Argentina, $355,000,000, and Brazil, $330,000,000.

## MANPOWER:
### *Biggest Problem*

During 1944, manpower and not material will constitute the biggest obstacles to resumption of the production of civilian goods, the War Production board's planning and statistical chief, Stacy May, revealed.

Although reductions in certain munitions programs may reach considerable proportions toward the end of 1944, the question of converting facilities to the manufacture of civilian goods will revolve around the army's call for manpower for casualty replacements, May said. Because of declines in construction employment and increasing efficiency in factories, however, more workers may be made available for consumer goods, May declared.

Sufficient steel, aluminum and copper probably could be obtained for civilian production later in the year, May said, but shortages of necessary parts or accessories might form serious bottlenecks.

## PACIFIC:
### *Raid Treasure-House*

Storehouse for Japanese oil, tin and rubber, the Dutch East Indies were hit by British bombers for the first time in nearly a year and a half, with docks, warehouses and shipping left in flames in the northern end of the islands.

While the bombers whacked at this treasure-house of natural resources which have fed the Japs' industrial sinews of war, British and Indian troops continued their desperate defense of the Bengal-Assam railroad in eastern India, feeding U. S. and Chinese forces hacking out a supply road to China in northern Burma.

In the South Pacific area, U. S. army and navy bombers teamed up to plaster the Japs' Carolines islands gateway to the inner approaches of the enemy's principal Asiatic holdings.

## AGRICULTURE:
### *Machinery*

Because of the necessity of stepping up production of landing barges and other invasion craft demanding critical material, farm machinery output this year may not reach expected levels, War Food Administrator Marvin Jones revealed.

Although too early to make predictions, farm machinery output should exceed 1940 figures. None has been allocated to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation administration or for export, he said.

As of April 1, Jones revealed, machinery production totaled 36,000 combines, 9,000 balers, 23,000 side rakes, 44,000 spreaders, 121,000 tractors and 15,000 cornpickers.

### *Labor*

At a time when Selective Service was tightening up on farm deferments, the U. S. department of agriculture reported that farm workers as of April 1 totaled 9,000,000, or about 228,000 less than a year ago.

With a better organized farm labor program and seasonal help from volunteer workers, however, the USDA expected rural America to meet this year's expanded food goals despite the inroads into help.

Although only 2 per cent lower than April, 1943, the farm labor supply was 54 per cent of the prewar average, the USDA declared.

## GOP:
### *Keynoter Named*

Selection of Gov. Earl Warren of California as opening speaker, or keynoter, at the Republican national convention in Chicago, June 34, has served to modulate the extreme nationalist and internationalist elements in the party.

Brawny, 6-foot Governor Warren, who first jumped into the political spotlight on the west coast through his racket-busting, stands by the GOP's Mackinac declaration on foreign policy, stressing international cooperation with other nations without impairing U. S. sovereignty.

Said Warren: "As Republicans, we must avoid discord that would interfere with our displacing the White House palace guard with an administration more competent to win the war and solve our postwar problems, domestic and foreign."

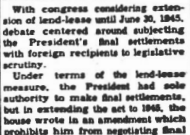
## LEND-LEASE:
### *Extension Debated*

With congress considering extension of lend-lease until June 30, 1945, debate centered around subjecting the President's final settlements with foreign recipients to legislative scrutiny.

Under terms of the lend-lease measure, the President had sole authority to make final settlements, but in extending the act to 1945, the house wrote in an amendment which prohibits him from negotiating final settlements involving international committments without congressional approval.

During the course of house debate on the new measure which was sent to the senate by a 336 to 31 vote, the majority killed Republican efforts to compel foreign nations to return lend-lease munitions to the U. S. after the war.

TELEFACT




Each symbol represents 20 per cent of 1937 production per worker.

## PLAY BALL:
### *Majors Open*

More than 122,000 fans were on hand to witness the opening of the 1944 major league baseball season, with the largest crowd of 30,154 watching the Chicago Cubs spank the Cincinnati Reds, 3 to 0, at Cincinnati, and the smallest of 4,020 watching the St. Louis Cardinals blank the Pittsburgh Pirates, 2 to 0, at St. Louis.

The New York Yankees' Johnny Lindell drove out the majors' first home run against the Boston Red Sox to lead his team to a 3 to 0 victory, and the Philadelphia Athletics and Washington Senators played the first extra inning game, with the A's winning in the 12th, 3 to 2, when Rookie Erwin Hall doubled home Babe Siebert.

## STRIKES:
### *In U. S., Canada*

Strikes at Montgomery Ward and company and the Ford Motor company of Canada crowded the labor spotlight.

At Ward's, the nation's No. 2 mail order company, the company resumed shipment of freight and parcel post after railroad and teamster unions had tied up deliveries in sympathy with the CIO's United Mail Order, Warehouse and Retail Employees union, which struck over the firm's refusal to extend a bargaining contract upon order of the War Labor board.

About 14,000 employees of the Ford company's Canadian plants remained idle after a walkout in protest over the firm's discharge of CIO stewards for investigating members' grievances during working hours, and the company's subsequent cancellation of the union's contract.

## SOLDIERS' WIVES:
### *Arrive in U. S.*

Anxious to look over their new homeland, 20 Australian brides or fiancees of American soldiers arrived in the U. S. from "Down Under," with one expressing the belief that if they got good Irish stew now and then, they should learn to get along.

Wife of a marine corporal from Shinnston, W. Va., Mrs. Doris Jean Lebash, said: "The American boys . . . Hunting and some of us, we in Australia were 10 years behind the times. They told us we couldn't wear American clothes, and that we'd never see such beautiful girls as we'd see in this country."

Australian wives of U. S. soldiers may apply for citizenship after two years. Any of their children born overseas automatically become citizens with five years residence under the U. S. flag.

## G. I. BOARD

It is costing the government less this year to provide "board and room" for the millions of enlisted men in the army. Economies have trimmed the annual expenditure to an estimated $463.06 this year.

The estimated figures include $215.35 for food, $173.70 for clothing, $44.70 for individual equipment (excepting arms and ammunition), and $31.31 for barracks equipment. Production costs on many items supplied by contractors have been reduced.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**PROFITS:** The meat packing industry had a net income of only 1.1 per cent on sales in 1943, the lowest for any major manufacturing industry, the American Meat institute reports.

**BANANAS:** Shortage of shipping between South American and United States ports is seriously handicapping importation of bananas, trade officials say.

**HERO:** In a curious case of a marine hero, who is also a deserter from the marines and the army, First Class Private William B. Murphee of Tennessee left the army after nearly six years of service and then joined the marines to win the navy cross as a member of Carlson's Raiders. Walking away from a marine hospital, he was later detained and held for discipline.

# Bombing Crews From Texas, Oklahoma, Based in England, Pound Hitler's Europe

## Southwestern Boys Eager to Finish Job And Get Back Home

By SGT. JIM SWARTZ JR.
Released by Western Newspaper Union.

The tender beauty of an English spring surrounds this American medium bomber station, but the fighting men from the U. S. A. are too busy with their big job to notice it. Most of these fellows come from the Southwest — Texas and Oklahoma—from the cattle ranches and oil fields.

I talked to a score of these fliers at a Marauder bomber station in rural England. I heard them re-live past experiences in the skies over Europe . . . spin their dreams of victory . . . and plan for a peaceful future back in their home towns in the Southwest.

And I saw a look of determination on the faces of these men that made me glad I wouldn't be one of the enemy when these Yanks from Texas and Oklahoma take their bombers to the Nazis' invasion front yard.

Alex Owen is age of these fighting neighbors of yours. He came all the way from Tyler, Texas, to man a .50-caliber gun in this war, and he's the kind of lad you'd like to know.

Alex enlisted in the air forces back in 1941, after making friends with countless citizens of Tyler from behind the counter in "Men's Clothing" at a local department store.

Today he is a veteran tail gunner with 20 missions over France, Holland and Belgium to his credit. And he wears the coveted Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and five Oak Leaf clusters.

What does the Big Show mean to Alex Owen? Ask him and you'll get an answer as honest and straightforward as a fellow-Texan's word of honor.

"I wouldn't miss it for one helluva lot," he told me that day. "Sure, it's rough. We're not fighting a war with kid gloves on, man."

### 'Back to Tyler.'

That was Alex's story, and it's much like the one I heard from another Southwesterner that day at this American bomber base in rural England.

His name is Joe Shouse, an engineer-gunner from Coweta, Oklahoma, a small, friendly town 20 miles from Tulsa.

Joe (officially, he is Staff Sergeant Joe W. Shouse) is a 22-year-old veteran of 35 missions, and he says the second invasion can't start too soon.

Back in 1941 and part of 1942, Joe was a sheet metal worker for the Spartan Aircraft company, in Tulsa. But when you mention postwar plans to the young Oklahoma airman he says he has put them all on the shelf for the duration.

"I'm too excited about the job I've got now." Joe told me that day in his Nissen hut "home" at this Marauder base.

His hut-mates and fellow-gunners like to tell you how cool Joe is under fire, and after a brief conversation with him you agree with them. And when I left Joe that day I figured I'd met the "typical" fighting man from the Southwest.

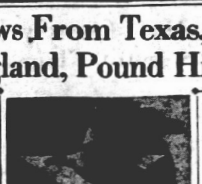
Then, a few minutes later, in another Nissen hut, I met other air force men from your home




FROM BASES in England, medium bombers range deep into Germany, France and Norway, wrecking enemy factories, harbor installations and railroad yards.

towns . . . and their stories are the kind you like to hear, too, because these neighbors of yours will all be in the aerial front lines when the big fight comes home to the Nazis.

There were three Texans in that Nissen hut, and as you approach its front door you see this sign over head: "The Gangsters' Roost: Texicans Included."



THE CREW of a medium bombing plane is a strongly welded five-man clique, in the conception of Sergt. W. B. Mosey of Hale Field, Texas. The five men—navigator, mechanic, pilot, bombardier and gunner—train, fly and fight as one.

Inside, around a warm, pot-bellied stove, there is Ramon Western, a crew chief from Alvord, Texas. And next to him there is a young mechanic by the name of Tommy Bussolle, a Houston youth who used to play a saxophone in a home-town orchestra. Then, to round out the Texas trio, there is Bob Allen, another Houstonian and an aircraft electrician.

I wondered about that legend on the door, and Tommy Bussolle gave me the details.

"We call it the 'Gangsters' Roost' because that explains how some of us ground crew chiefs get our equipment." (This with a wide grin playing across Tommy's face.) "And as for the word 'Texicans,' that was the brain child of a sergeant from New Jersey who doesn't know how to spell 'Texans.' These 'foreigners' hand us a lot of laughs," he told me.

Ramon Western is a Texan with a clear-cut idea of what he's going to do to help win this war.

A crew chief, he sent one bomber, "Damita," on 40 missions to Hitler's tottering European fortress. Then, when the trim Marauder went down one day, Ramon took up the fight with a successor, "Damita II." He has been in England since June, 1943, and he'd be as happy as a bomber mechanic knee-deep in grease if the invasion started tomorrow morning.

Before the war, Ramon worked his way through three years of school — at John Tarleton Junior college, at Stephensville, and Texas A. M. college. He lacks only a few hours' credit for a degree in agriculture, and when he gets back to Texas he wants to go back for that sheep-skin. Only this time he won't have to work his way, because he's bought a pile of War Savings bonds for that education.

### Wants to Go 'Jap Hunting.'

And when the war in Europe is won, Ramon says he'd like to take his Marauder (always a crew chief calls the ship he works on "his ship") to the South Pacific and send it out "Jap-hunting."

The two Houston youths in that Nissen hut told me that those sentiments were theirs, in spades!

Bob Allen, for example.

Bob is an electrician for several ground crews at this field, and he doesn't kid himself about his summer sleeping schedule. "Those summer nights in England don't start till midnight . . . which means we'll darned near work the clock around, I guess. But I'll just put off the shut-eye until I get back home."

And when he gets back, he says he'll probably finish this education at the University of Texas. Then he wants to take up where he left off as a field salesman for a heating system firm in Houston.

One of the most colorful characters at this station is Walter Scott, a robust youth who proudly boasts that he is three-fourths Indian (Seminole and Delaware tribes) and then adds, grinning: "The other 25 per cent of me is as Irish as Paddy's pig."

Walt (or "Chief," as he's known at this field) is one of the crack crew chiefs in his group. His ship, "Baby Bumps," has gone out on 33 missions without turning back, and the Chief, who is a former oil field roustabout from Dewey, Oklahoma, is plenty proud of that record.

Walt likes to talk about such things as the coming invasion, and the day when he can go back to the Oklahoma oil industry.

"Well, I volunteered in this man's army, didn't I?" the "Chief" blasted out. "And until this war's over in both leagues I'm goin' to stick it out."

When the war in Europe is all wrapped up, the Chief wants to take his Marauder over to the South Pacific (with Ramon Western, his crew chief pal from Alvord, Texas) and send it out against the little yellow men.

Then Walt says he'll be ready to head back to Oklahoma. Is he going back to the oil fields? "Hell, yes," is the Chief's reply to that one.

As I was leaving Walt with his second helping of steak and potatoes that day, he told me that I should have met the real hero of the Scott "tribe."

"He's my kid brother, Yeoman," Walt said. "Right now he's finishing up aviation training back home, but one of these days you'll be hearing big things from him. No, he's no lousy grease monkey like me . . . he's a bomber pilot, de luxe."

And that's the story, as I heard it, of the Scotts' personal offensive against the Axis.

### Two McKinney Boys.

Before I left this Marauder station that afternoon, I happened across a couple of aerial gunners who made me wonder if I were standing on Main street in McKinney, Texas.

First, there was a fighting son of the Lone Star state by the name of Forest (Staff Sergeant Forest C.) Board, and before I had even gotten his name, I was introduced to 21-year-old Jimmy Ashley, another staff sergeant gunner. Both of these air force fighting men came from McKinney to fight their share of this war, and because their thoughts on this "Invasion Eve" are as genuine as a Texas handshake, I thought you'd like to know them.

Forest is a veteran of 35 missions over enemy territory, and he's "daddy" of the McKinney duo, at the age of 23. Back home, he was a traveling salesman for a bill-fold company, with a territory that stretched across Missouri, Arkansas, western Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi.

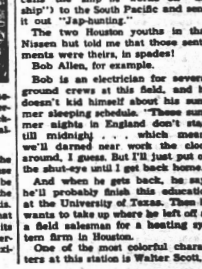
Then came the Fourth of July, 1942. The McKinney flier says it was nothing more than a coincidence that he enlisted on such a patriotic occasion but when you talk to him you get the idea that it shouldn't have happened any other way.

"Let's get the job over with," the likable Texan told me, "because I'm anxious to get back on my old job, Heck, I've still got my sample case . . . and a list of my old customers."

And there you have the real story of how these fighting sons of America's great Southwest are meeting the great challenge. There's a gleam in their clear, straight-looking eyes. And there's determination in their hearts. Texan and Oklahoman together, they'll be over here until it's time to make the welcome trek back home.



A MARAUDER soars through fleecy clouds over the patchwork English countryside, en route to a bombing mission on the continent. The B-26 is the world's medium bomber to world, with a speed of more than 325 miles per hour, delivered by its two 18-cylinder, 2,000-horsepower engines. (All pictures official U. S. Air Force photos.)



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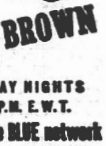
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# Speaking of Sports

Edited by Wilton Bourquin Union.

THE current season's most unpleasant task confronts us, as in deference to tradition this department must make its annual baseball selections. In order to prolong the agony, today's soul-stirring outpouring will be devoted solely to the National league.

And that is as it should be. The job is considerably easier in the senior circuit. The National league contains the only first class club in baseball this season — the St. Louis Cardinals.

All in all, the Western clubs are stronger this year. There is a very good chance that an Eastern team will not be able to break into the first division.

### *Cardinals Strong*

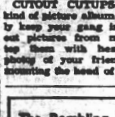
Things wouldn't be so gloomy if the strength in the Western clubs were evenly divided. But the Cardinals are more numerous than they were a year ago. They haven't so strong a club as the 1942 offering, but they haven't been hurt nearly as much as the seven other clubs in the league. Remember that the Cards won by 18 lengths over the Reds, with Brooklyn 23½ games behind and the Pirates 38.

Here is the way this department handles things up:

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| St. Louis | Brooklyn |
| Chicago | New York |
| Cincinnati | Boston |
| Pittsburgh | Philadelphia |

The Cardinals have suffered but few important losses — Outfielder Harry Walker, who may return with a medical discharge, Second Baseman Lou Klein, Infielder Jimmy Brown and Pitchers Al Brazle, Murry Dickson, Howard Krist and Ernie White.

Missouri Billy Southworth still has Pitchers Harry Brecheen, Mort Cooper and Max Lanier, His World Series behind shows only one change, Hank Verban from Columbus having replaced Klein at second. The outfield personnel, three veterans—Stan Musial, Johnny Hopp and Danny Litwhiler. Walker Cooper, one of the best catchers in the game at the beginning of the last season, is available. So are many other stars of the St. Louis cast.



Billy Southworth

It's customary to pick the Cubs for second place, in fact, one gets in a disagreeable rut by naming the Cubs to place. Last year Mr. Wrigley's hired men wound up an inglorious fifth, 30½ games out. But the present finds the club fairly well equipped with experienced pitchers. And good pitching can land the club in second place. (Somewhere we've heard that song before.)

### *Mound Losses*

We string along with Cincinnati for third place largely because of Manager Bill McKechnie. The Reds have been hard hit in their once-strong department — the pitching staff. They have lost Johnny Vander Meer and Clyde Shoun. They will mourn the loss of Lon Frey at second. Others—including Eddie Miller and Gerald Walker—are susceptible to the draft.

But Master William McKechnie is a sound, resourceful and reliable leader. He has formed successful operations. The rejection by the military service of First Baseman Frank McCormick has strengthened the Cincinnati club. McCormick is a long distance hitter who will make quite a difference in the final standings.

The Pirates may prove to be a surprise club. Frank Frisch has a good infield with Babe Dahlgren replacing Ebie Fletcher at first base, Bob Elliott back at third, and Frank Gustine and Pete Coscarart in between.

The Dodgers' unhappy plight is made all the more evident by the report that Manager Leo Durocher is likely to play.

The Giants are weak. They will do well to end up in sixth place and may be forced to get along without the services of Manager Mel Ott, who is 1-A.

The Braves have a new bankroll to work with. Bob Coleman, the new manager, is widely known as a developer of young players. But the present emphasis isn't on youth in the big leagues.

We will not attempt to discuss the Philadelphia Story other than to remind you that the club is better known as the Blue Jays. Remember that names don't mean a thing.

## SPORTS SHORTS

Q. Frank Mancuso, rookie catcher for the St. Louis Browns, was making his 58th parachute jump when he suffered injuries which led to his honorable discharge from the army. Regulations call for five jumps from a plane to qualify as a jumper.

Q. The Jim Corbett-Bob Fitzsimmons match at Carson City, March 17, 1897, was the first fight to be filmed.

A. Harry Stuhldreher will conduct a clinic for state high school football coaches at the University of Wisconsin late in August.

# Gasoline Can Be Made Cheaply From Plants, Scientist Claims

## New Process Can Convert Vegetable Matter to Oil, Coal or Asphalt.

Gasoline and coal can be made from carbohydrates, the bountifully supplied in plants like wood, sugar cane, potatoes, and many others—in a quick chemical imitation of a process which took nature millions of years, Dr. E. Berl, research professor of Carnegie Institute of Technology, declared in a paper read to the American Chemical society.

From 100 long tons of Louisiana dry sugar cane, he said, his process will make 2,500 gallons of gasoline, 3,400 gallons of middle oil, 1,210 gallons of lubrication oil, and 5¼ long tons of raw cane sugar.

This method, the result of 18 years of investigation, is relatively cheap and simple, Dr. Berl stated. It assures a supply of these fuels, on which modern civilization is based, after the depletion of coal and oil wells supplied by nature. It will create a great new demand for agricultural products, expanding farmers' markets, with possibly even present-day jungles becoming the "farms" for materials to make oil, gasoline, and even coal.

Internationally, the process means that there need be no "have-not" nations in oil or coal if there is land area enough, for raw carbohydrates, for liquid fuel will be at the disposal of practically all civilized nations, according to Dr. Berl.

The future farmer might even have a simple installation on his own farm to make his own fuels to run his tractors and heat his home.

### Nature's Chemistry.

"Nature, by a not very well explained photochemical reaction, produces every year huge amounts of carbohydrates," Dr. Berl explained. "Due to their reactive nature, they have been converted since former geological periods into coal, asphalts or oil, depending on the geo-chemical conditions which existed during this conversion.

"We can now imitate nature and by using higher temperature and pressure we can produce in a very short time the same important raw materials. In our moderate climate the farmer can produce large amounts of carbohydrates containing materials which in coming years will become the welcome raw material for chemical synthesis, especially for the production of liquid fuels."

Dr. Berl gave this striking example of the potential reservoir of oil in agriculture:

"In 1941, America's 32,000,000 automobiles used 55,000,000 tons of liquid fuel. To make that amount of fuel from sugar cane, "4 per cent of the cropland harvested in the United States (350,000,000 acres) and more than 2 per cent of the land available for crops (570,000,000 acres) would be necessary.

"More liquid fuel could be produced than those 32,000,000 cars used in the last 'normal' year in the United States if the 320,000,000 tons of plant waste produced per annum in this country could be converted into liquid fuels."

### German Way Inefficient.

Germany makes synthetic liquid fuel by the expensive and difficult method of hydrogenation of coal and of carbon monoxide, producing about 9,000,000 tons a year, Dr. Berl continued, but nearly twice that amount could be made "if the sugar cane production of Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Philippine islands and Cuba were used.

"As for coal, plant material with about 50 per cent carbon content can easily and quickly be converted into coals with more than 80 per cent carbon.

"It is now possible to convert any carbohydrate containing material which contains cellulose, starch, or sugars into bituminous coals with desired properties," he stated, "and to make asphalts and crude oils identical with the materials which nature puts at our disposition."

In the case of crude oils, from which gasoline is made, "this conversion can be carried out with rather high yields in carbon in simple, cheap apparatus. By the use of higher temperatures and pressure, this liquid fuel production from plant materials which now contain two-thirds or more of their weight in carbohydrates can be telescoped into short-time intervals, whereas nature needed many millions of years for this same process."

Some experts, Dr. Berl said, believe that present production of 220,000,000 tons of crude oil annually will exhaust the United States known oil reserves in about 15 years. So it is apparent how important this new process in which oilers oil from such plants and wastes as wood, sawdust, sugar cane, bagasse, molasses, sorghum, potatoes, cornstalks, grass, leaves, Irish moss, seaweed and algae.

# 'Harvest Brigade' Gets Started in Texas



One of the hundreds of self-propelled combines in the Harvest Brigade gets under way in a vast field of flax near Komedy, Texas. Sponsored by the Massey-Harris company, in cooperation with the War Food administration, the Brigade was created to harvest a million acres of the increased planting necessitated by war demands. From Texas the Brigade will creep north through the Great Plains states to the Canadian border, cutting small grain wherever farmers ask for help. Operating the machine in the picture is J. C. McCara. Standing (left to right) are J. J. Pogue Jr., flax grower; Fred C. Knight, Texas director of the Massey-Harris company; and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Turner, owners of the flax farm.

# "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspaper—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

**LOOK PURTY, PLEASE!**

If you're not taking each other's pictures with your own camera, you're getting yourself cooped at the drug store. What do you do with all those snapshots anyway? Do you trade them away in a teddy-dubby picture album or do you play any of them team tricks with them?

CUTOUT CUTUPS—For a new kind of picture album that will really keep your gang in stitches, cut out pictures from magazines and top them with heads cut from photos of your friends. Imagine, mounting the head of some freckled face wolf on the cutout figure of Lana Turner, or the face of a pretty girl on the figure of a soldier. There are endless possibilities and lots of fun like. Try it.

PAPER DOLLIES—Here's what the gals are doing to encourage the boys to get a "paper dolly they can call their own." You buy a paper doll book at the dime store and you cut out a doll and mount her on a piece of cardboard, cut to fit.



Every day you dress your Paper Dolly in a paper replica of the outfit you are wearing. Pin her to a lapel or sweater and see how quickly the boys get the idea of stealing her to wear on their own jackets and sweaters. The tricky part of this new fad-ahion is to see that your Paper Dolly is dressed like you every day, whether you are wearing it, or whether some local wolf is sporting it over his heart. If a boy has appropriated it (and we hope so) you will have to bring a cutout paper outfit to school each day and make a quick change before the bell rings. When do you get time to do your work, is what old Pickle Puss would like to know.

BRIGHT LIGHTS—Paste cutout pictures of your gang on a parchment lamp shade, Shellac (if you can get shellac) when completely covered. Cute decoration for your room.

SNAPPY SUN GLASSES — The frames of an old pair of sun glasses, without the side pieces, can be used for photos. Paste the pictures on the glass sections; color the frames with red polish; then pin to your lapel to dangle as a new kind of fob.

PIGTAILS PIX — Paste small photos of your best beaux on the barrettes at the end of your pigtails. The boy who sits behind you in school can easily tell who your favorites are.

### Daffynitions

HOW'S FOR POOLIN' THE FOOLIN'?—Let's get together.

TEEDEEANAAICH — Tall, Dark and Handsome.

SQUIRREL FEVER — Romantic urge.

EVERYTHING TICKETY-BOO?—Everything O. K.?

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JIVE BOMBER—Gossip reporter for school paper.

THEY'RE FROZEN—They're going steady.

GIVE WITH THE GOO—Explain in detail.

DO A DIZZY—Pull a boner, make a social error.

Well, as one Chinaman said to another: "You're right, I'm Wong."

# The Rambling Rhymster

By LEE PLETTNER

### Back Yard

He'd been around the country and
He'd seen a lot of scenes;
Through wood and sand and north and south,
To know what travel means.



He had covered it well over,
And for it had high regard,
But still he liked to contemplate
The view of his back yard.

He had seen the Rocky mountains in their awful majesty,
Driven through their twisting passes in a fragile jalopy,
And he'd sung their hearty praises
Like an answer-audition bard,
But he worshed even harder
Of the view in his back yard.

He had seen the fabled wonders
Of the great Pacific coast—
Seen the fairy movie city,
With its stars—a shining host—
And yet he gladly ambled back,
His old home state toward,
To view again the scenery
Within his own back yard.

### Weather

Of all things unpredictable,
With which we're blessed or cursed,
Things which we like orkstable,
The weather is the worst.
At times it under zero is,
It crackles and it snaps,
And bites the features on our pals,
It freezes our earlobes,
And then it switches right around,
A fickle sort of dame,
And thaws the snow right off the ground,
To get back where it came.
One day we wake up in the morn,
To say that's overcast,
To day that's dismal and forlorn
With sleet a'falling fast,
Then comes a day of tender spring,
Of lovely mud and slush;
Where blade of grass and leafy thing
Peer from beneath the mush.
While sometimes there come perfect days,
Like heaven upon earth,
When Nature shows her fairest ways,
And all is joy and mirth.
Yes, verily, the weather is
A something strange to see;
A thing of change and flux and flaz,
Of vast variety.

# Much U. S. Cash Has Gone Down With Sunken Ships

WITH THE UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET.—Hundreds of thousands of dollars in United States currency have been lost in the Pacific since the start of the war—pay roll funds carried aboard men-of-war that have been sunk.

The greatest single money loss recorded to date was more than $400,000. It went down with the Cruiser Chicago off Guadalcanal, in the Solomons, January 31, 1943.

Lieut. (jg) Richard Meredith Jones of McKeesport, Pa., demanded a search by two senior officers and a sworn statement to show he did not have any of the Chicago's pay roll money when he was picked up from the sea by a rescue ship. The greenbacks will not be profitable for postwar treasure hunters. Jones reported the exact amount of the loss and the denominations of the bills to the treasury department.

# Old Harvester Cost $200, Sells for $320 in Britain

LONDON. — There's no price control on old farm machinery in Britain, Charles Shaw, CBS correspondent, reported.

In 1929 a British farmer bought a horse-drawn harvest binder for $980. Thirteen years later, in 1942, he sold it for $12. That same binder was sold at auction the other day for $320.

# TELEFACT

BOMBERS ARE FASTER THAN TRANSPORT PLANES




# Man With Artificial Arms Found Best for Hot Job

CHICAGO.—A baking firm couldn't keep anybody on one job—removing fruit pies from ovens. The juice burned their hands. Gloves were too cumbersome. Finally, the problem was solved by a man with artificial arms. Edgar T. Stephens, secretary of the Illinois Association for the Crippled, cited the case as an example of how the organization has put 1,800 handicapped citizens to work.

# What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



Along with your letters to the boys in service, send them clippings from your home newspapers that you know would interest them. They are always eager for news, and to know that someone back home has remembered their interest in an event that would be of special importance to them will add to the joy.

It is a nice practice to remember any of our friends in this way. A short note attached to the clipping is all that is necessary, and you know it will brighten and gladden the heart of the receiver.

Also, keep a birthday book and remember your friends and relatives with a birthday card. It is flattering to them—and it gives you a warm glow to do something for someone.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



Give your skin a Spring Check Up. A magnifying mirror aids in telling the tell! A good creamy soap lather, rubbed in with the fingertips will cleanse the pores. A deep massage on the neck will wake up sluggish circulation. An application of lemon juice overnight will clear up muddy skins.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

# Eyes Can Distinguish Five Types of Color

Colors may be classified into several types according to their appearance to the eyes. First, there is the common type of surface color, which appears to lie on the surface of an object. Next, there is expanse color, as is seen in looking at the blue of the sky. This sometimes is called "two-dimensional" color. Then there are objects with lustrous color, as silk or metals. One sees the surface color plus reflected light radiating above the surface.

A fourth type is transparent color, as obtained when looking at an object through a colored pane of glass. Another kind of color is referred to as bulky, or "three-dimensional" color. This is a variety of transparent color obtained by looking at objects through a fog or a cloudy liquid. Finally, there is luminous color, seen by the eyes when looking at a flame, or a translucent surface, as of a lamp shade behind which is a light source.



# FIRST-AID AILING HOUSE

by Roger B. Whitman

Roger B. Whitman—WNU Features.

## DUSTY CONCRETE FLOOR

Question: Some time ago you wrote about a mixture for laying the dust of a concrete cellar floor. Will you please repeat?

Answer: You can lay the dust by soaking the floor with a mixture of one part water glass in four parts of water. Make plenty of this mixture, so that it can be poured on the floor liberally, spread with a broom and the floor allowed to soak it up. At the end of some hours, wipe up any puddles that may remain. You may have to repeat the treatment within a day or two. But if you wish to paint the floor later on, water glass should not be used. If you should wish to paint, get a kind of paint that is proof against the effects of lime; for ordinary floor paint will not last on a basement floor if laid in the usual way.

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### LEAKING FLUSH TANK

Question: Our old-fashioned, high-type of wood flush tank is leaking. Could I use wood putty to mend it?

Answer: Caulking compound would last longer. This is similar to putty (not wood putty) but never becomes hard or brittle. This compound is much used for repairing outside leaks around window frames. It is forced into the crack with a caulking gun. Inquire about this at your hardware store.

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### How to Build Shower Stall

Question: I am planning to build a shower in a space 32 inches wide by 36 inches long and 7 feet high. What kind of waterproof material can I use that will be economical, yet good? Must the floor be of cement, or can something else be used instead?

Answer: The base or receptor of the shower should be built of cement with a lead pan under it to prevent possible leakage to the floor below. This work should be done by a competent concrete or tile man who has had experience in this kind of work. Or, you can get a precast cement receptor. The latter would be simple to install.

The walls can be of cement plaster over wire lath, or you can use one of the prefinished dense fiber wallboards. If the board is used, the manufacturer's directions should be followed in making the joints watertight. The smallest size shower receptor measures 32 by 32 inches. Your 34-inch dimension is rather "skimpy" for a shower stall.

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### Oil Stain on Wooden Chest

Question: I have a wooden chest that I was preparing to paint, when a large quantity of baby oil was spilled on it. Although I wiped it off with rags as soon as possible, quite a bit of it penetrated into the wood. Will the oil that remains in the wood affect the enamel finish that I am planning to apply on the chest?

Answer: Sandpaper as much of the surface as possible, and, if some of the oil still remains that cannot be removed, cover the stain with a thick layer of a paste mixture made by combining fuller's earth or powdered whiting with a (preferably nonflammable) spot removing liquid. When dry, brush off the powder. An oil stain of that type would affect the drying quality of the enamel.

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### New Maple Floor

Question: What would you suggest for a new maple floor to be laid in a store where there will be considerable traffic and wear?

Answer: The floor can be given a couple of soaking coats of hot linseed oil (raw). After allowing an hour or so for soaking, wipe off the excess and apply the next coat 24 hours later. Penetrating preservative oil finishes are serviceable and good-looking on maple.

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### Fireproofing Paper

Question: How can paper be made fireproof?

Answer: Soak it in a solution of eight ounces of boracic acid and ten ounces of borax in one gallon of water. Float the paper on the liquid until it is thoroughly saturated, and then hang up to drip and dry.

# ON THE HOME FRONT

RUTH WYETH SPEARS

DO YOU have a large wall space somewhere in your house that looks rather bare? Why not fill it with a group of matched brackets on which you may make an attractive arrangement of bric-a-brac and trailing vines?

This sketch shows a set of three brackets in a quaint old-fashioned heart design over a davenport in the living room. The center bracket is fourteen inches wide with one of the matching smaller brackets on each side. The sketch also shows how easy it is to cut out the heart design with a sharp knife after boring holes with a brace and bit. Any school boy who has the use of a coping saw or maybe a jig saw may make these graceful brackets.




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### Feather Money

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**DYNASTY THREATENED**

The amazing race run by Millard Caldwell — starting from just a line or two in a country weekly newspaper eighteen months ago — threatens the "dynasty" of another country town after pulling down one of its pillars.

Bill Wainwright, formerly state auditor, from Starke — which has more of its residents in prominent public positions than any other Florida community — lost his effort to elect Frank Upchurch governor; and Lex Green, also of Starke has been passed by Caldwell who now leads in the governor's race and threatens to eliminate the colorful congressman from the public eye after a lifetime on the public payroll.

Starke will still remain well represented however. One of its older citizens, Gene Mathews, is a member of the railroad commission, while several other Bradford county folks are prominent in political circles.

Starke is proof of the fact that two or more "favorite sons" in high political posts aren't detrimental to public welfare. The record gives the lie to the statement that we shouldn't have "two senators from Jacksonville" or "a senator and a congressman from Lakeland." Of course Senator Trammell and Congressmen Herbert Drane and Hardin Peterson of Lakeland gave the lie to that hooey years ago, just as Senator Fletcher and Bryan gave it in behalf of Jacksonville before their day.

Florida's public servants generally turn out to be pretty good public servants regardless of geography and we are happy over that fact. We've noticed that congressmen who serve a district when the district hires them, broaden out to serve an entire state when the state as a whole hires them. It is just human nature to serve those who employ us and Florida as a whole benefits from this fact.

Florida doesn't have to worry about Starke trying to "hog" the political limelight anymore than it has to worry about little Milton in Santa Rosa County nor Tallahassee trying to do so.

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**FREE PRESS SAFE**

Scouting the idea that there is any serious danger to the principle of a free press, Roy Roberts, of the Kansas City Star, president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, warned newspapermen attending the national convention that it would be wise for the press of America and the men who direct its freedom to go about the business of "deserving" a free press — and we'll probably have it as long as we deserve it.

Pointing directly in line comes the final pay-off in the attempt of the censors in Australia to suspend papers for criticising the officials of censorship.

Associated Press dispatches report from Sidney:

"A crown high court Monday enjoined the censors from suspending publication of the newspapers for printing articles which criticised censorship policy."

The hardest institution in the world to "lick" if it's right is a newspaper. Apparently those boys in Australia were right — or at least they weren't interfering with the war effort. They were just "talking back" which is either a privilege or a price of democracy.

By the same token when a newspaper is wrong — it sooner or later has to hush up. The "wronger" it gets, the sooner.

And of course, many times — right or wrong — the press just isn't able to make progress with an issue or a cause. That's more democracy.

Mr. Average Citizen reserves to himself the right to be "right" or "wrong" or just pure "cussedly stubborn."

There is just one more important point for us newspaper folks to remember — and it is important because too many of us get the cart before the horse. A free press is the offspring of democracy. Democracy is not the child of the free press. Democracy spawned a free press because it had to have free press to survive. But if democracy ever starts dying of its own (or the people's) volition, it won't need a free press nor can a free press save it.

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And speaking of censorship we are reminded that all censorship isn't bad.

Take for instance the marine in the south seas mentioned in an Associated Press dispatch the other day. The marine wrote a letter. The censor did a nice piece of backstopping and posted the following notice on the company bulletin board: Private Blank: Letter at mail desk. Name on envelope "Dorothy"; name on letter "Betty." Check, and if correct mail." We presume if the censor's surmise was right the marine made a correction before mailing. But you couldn't blame that on the censor!

# Folks You Know . .

Mrs. H. H. Jordan has returned to her home in Hollywood, after a visit with her parents-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Jordan.

Virgil Hall left Friday for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he will spend the next month, taking treatments at this famous resort.

Mrs. S. R. Lowe and Bill Wright of Ocala returned to their home on Friday after a two weeks visit with the former's daughter, Mrs. F. E. John and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Forbes left this week for Stanton, Nebraska, after spending the winter here at their home, where Mr. Forbes was looking after his grove interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith and two children, J. W. Jr., and Myrtis of Williston are spending the week here with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith and family. They will return home Sunday.

Eugene Crow returned to Philadelphia, Pa., Sunday, where he is a senior at the Eastern Baptist Seminary, after visiting his mother, Mrs. E. M. Crow, who is with her sister, Mrs. S. Y. Hartt.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Durrance, who formerly resided in Avon Park, have returned here to make their home, and are living at the Maxwell place on the old Sebring grove. They have been in Lake Alfred for the past six years.

Captain Rudolph E. Crosley and his wife, the former Miss Lorita Pierson of Miami, have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Connelly. They have returned to Los Angeles, Cal., where Capt Connelly is stationed.

Mrs. Harold Bowers left this week for San Antonio, Texas, to spend a month visiting Cadet Bowers, who is in training there. She was accompanied by Cadet Bowers' mother, Mrs. Louise Bowers, and his sister, Miss Mary Frances Bowers of Ft. Meade.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jordon of New London, Texas, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Jordon and other relatives here. They will be in Avon Park two weeks. Mr. Jordon will preach at the Church of Christ on Sunday at both the morning and evening services.

Mrs. Jacob G. Schofield Jr., of Norfolk, Va., who has been visiting her mother in Miami, is now spending a few days with Mrs. Jesse Bumner, and her many other friends in Avon Park. Mrs. Schofield is the former Miss Rosemaye Rogers and attended Avon Park high school for two years. She expects to return to Norfolk Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Huie and Miss Elizabeth Gradner of Atlanta, arrived Thursday for a visit in Avon Park, and are staying at the Jacaranda hotel. Miss Gardner will return home Sunday; Mrs Huie remaining for a two weeks visit at the home of Sgt. and Mrs. H. D. Butler. Pfc. Huie is in the Public Relations office at the Avon Park Army Air Field.

Mrs. Walter S. Martin spent the day Wednesday in Tampa.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Martin of Tampa were in Avon Park on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Willson of Wauchula were in Avon Park on Monday evening.

Lefty Brown of Lakeland, former resident, was a business visitor here Friday.

Pvt. and Mrs. Bill Warner left Tuesday for their home in Kansas City, Mo., to spend a two weeks furlough.

Dr. H. G. Hall returned to his home in Hilton, New York, Thursday, after a visit with Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Jordan.

Mrs. Chas. Harris spent several days this week in Tampa, where she underwent a minor operation at the Municipal hospital.

Miss Margaretha Vogt spent the week end in Tampa with Miss Martha Jeuther, who is a patient at the Municipal hospital.

Mrs. Eva Butterfield, nurse, and Mrs. Leslie Browning of Louisville, Ky., have come to be with their sister, Mrs. M. B. Demerse who is recovering from an illness of the past few weeks.

Mrs. Mae Purvis of Tallahassee, former Avon Park resident, spent Monday and Tuesday here, as the guest of Mrs. L. D. Roberts. Her son, Pfc. Reuben Purvis is a bigler, and is stationed with his army outfit at Fort McPherson, Georgia.

Mrs. F. E. Wray returned home Friday from Montgomery, Ala., where she spent two weeks with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Wray. Enroute home she visited her aunt, Mrs. Frank Gray and Mrs. Maud Martin in Leesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Longbottom and eleven year old daughter, Lynn, accompanied by Mrs. R. H. Lawhon left Saturday morning for Warm Springs, Ga., where Lynn will undergo treatment. The thoughts and prayers of scores of Avon Park friends will go with them, in the wish that the treatments will hasten the day toward Lynn's ultimate recovery.

**MAJOR ZIMMERMAN DIES**

Major J. W. Zimmerman of Winter Haven passed away suddenly Thursday night at his home, following a heart attack, according to word received here by friends. Mrs. C. F. Kinney left early Friday morning for Winter Haven to be with Mrs. Zimmerman. Major and Mrs. Zimmerman formerly resided in Avon Park, living at Highland Lakes in the home, now owned by Major and Mrs. C. W. Wade.

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# Keeping On the Go With the USO

By Dorothy Graham

All you G. I.'s and G. I. wives who would like to go swimming Sunday come over to the club at one o'clock and we'll furnish the transportation to Lake Letain. Even if you don't go near the water, it's an ideal spot for canning, complete with bathhouses and beach.

Neither the heat nor the rain can quell the members of the Tuesday night dance. But can you blame them when the 76th Rangers give them music for any type dancing — be they waltzers, fox-trotters, or jitterbuggers?

Last Thursday a group of Senior Hostesses spent the day at the club making USO Scrap Books to send overseas. The ladies brought sandwiches and Miss Barry furnished coffee and dessert to complete lunch.

One of the special features of our Mother's Day Program will be voice-recording, which is planned for Friday night, May 5th. Maybe if you send a record home now, the folks won't be too surprised when you come home with a souvenir drawl.

We wish to thank all of the ladies who have been bringing cakes and cookies for the servicemen and their wives. They are greatly appreciated by these people so far away from home and home cooking.

Mr. Dobson is expected back some time Monday. He has been in New Orleans for the past two weeks taking a Recreation Course along with other USO-NCCS Club Directors from the south-east.

USO is expected to have all kinds of information — anything from the number of roll calls to Kilometers to the proper way to prepare a baby's formula. Usually we can comply in some fashion with the numerous requests we receive (except the availability of vacant rooms), but I'm afraid we disappointed someone last week. Just as the club was being closed one night, the phone rang. Miss Barry answered same and an excited female voice required, "Was the invention started?" "Why, I don't know. We haven't had the radio on," answered the Assistant Director. "You mean you don't know? (Incredulously) I thought you would know first." "No, General Zimmerman hasn't been in the club tonight, so I couldn't say." "Oh", said the girl dejectedly, and hung up.

By the way — have you noticed anything wrong with Miss Barry's face? I haven't, but evidently one of the soldiers around here isn't quite satisfied. He was in the club one night last week and wanted to do some sketching. Upon being presented with the proper materials he asked Miss Barry to stand up. The young lady complied with the request and the young man gazed a moment and said, "Thanks, I've got the figure, now I'll have to find the face."

**My Sincere Thanks:**

I wish to express my deep-felt thanks to friends and supporters for their loyalty and vote in my campaign for the office of Justice of the Peace.

To those who supported my opponent, I have only good will and good wishes.

**Alton Elder**

**Thanks, Everybody**

I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the generous vote given me in the first primary.
I also wish to express my appreciation to Dan Young, second high man, who withdrew from the run off, and left me the nomination without further contest. I think it was swell of him.

**FRANK (Hotshot) ARMISTEAD**

**My Thanks:**

To the people of Highlands County for the splendid vote given me in the first primary. If your candidate was eliminated, I will certainly apreciate your vote in the run-off.

**Wilbur C. King**



**THANK YOU FELLOW CITIZENS**

**Without your loyal and spirited support We could not have won a place in the Second Primary. Strengthened by new supporters from all sides and with your continued help, and that of your Friends and Neighbors, We will win the nomination.**

**MILLARD CALDWELL**

(Paid political advertisement)

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF

**The Barnett Bank of Avon Park**

From Report to Comptroller at the Close of Business April 13, 1944

RESOURCES

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| CASH and Due from Banks | $ 836,701.20 | |
| U. S. Securities | 1,321,379.38 | |
| Listed, Municipal & Other Bonds & Securities | 69,627.50 | |
| Accrued Interest | 2,976.08 | $2,230,684.16 |
| Loans and Discounts | | 59,539.81 |
| Overdrafts | | 2.26 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | | 6,029.56 |
| Other Resources | | 116.38 |
| | | $2,296,372.17 |

LIABILITIES

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| Capital | $ 50,000.00 | |
| Surplus and Undivided Profits | 65,000.90 | $ 115,000.90 |
| Reserves | | 9,026.57 |
| Bills Payable | | NONE |
| Other Liabilities | | 284.54 |
| DEPOSITS | | 2,172,060.16 |
| | | $2,296,372.17 |

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# Clubs and Parties . . .

By BESSIE H. BETHERINGTON — Phone 54

### New Club Meets At Harden Home; Elects Officers

The Girl's Summer Society met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Hilda Harden. The club elected the following officers: Julia Hefner, president; Frances Hough, vice president; Helen Counchain, secretary; Betty Cosley, treasurer; Ethel Harden chairman of the social committee; and Agnes Hayes and Doris Carter, reporters.

It was decided that the club would meet every Tuesday afternoon. The next meeting will be held at the home of Agnes Hayes.

After the business meeting the hostess served enjoyable refreshments of grape juice and cookies.

### Mrs. Lillian Harden Honoree At Party Monday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harden entertained at a lovely party on Monday evening at their home, in honor of the 21 birthday anniversary of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Lillian Harden. The affair came as a complete surprise to the honoree. An attractive color motif of pink and white was chosen for the party appointments, bouquets of pink radiance roses and garden flowers being placed at vantage points about the rooms.

Bunco was enjoyed throughout the evening, high score men's prize, playing cards being awarded to Sgt. Frank Brown. Miss Katherine Tompson received ladies' high award, a box of Dorothy Gray dusting powder. In further account of the chosen color note, the prize wrappings were in pink and white.

Late in the evening, delectable refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The beautiful birthday cake that entered the refreshment table, was frosted in white with pink rosebud decorations, and was topped with the required number of small glowing candles.

Those sharing this delightful occasion with Mrs. Harden and the host and hostess were Mr. Harden, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cain, Sgt. and Mrs. Roy Stout, Sgt. and Mrs. Bert Stinson, Miss Katherine Thompson, Miss Irol Berg, Miss Naomi Hegerty, Miss Edna Jordan, Miss Magdalene Sapp, Miss Sibelle Harden, Mrs. Allen Pollard and Mrs. K. Cason of Sebring, and Sgt. J. E. Smith, Sgt. Art Dunartell, Sgt. Frank Brown, Sgt. Everett Riley, and Lieut. Art Rehms.

### Bible Class Has Supper Meeting Monday Evening

The Woman's Friendship Bible class of the First Methodist Church held their monthly supper meeting at the home of Mrs. S. C. Pardee Monday evening. The delicious supper featured fried chicken and was served at prettily appointed tables.

Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood presided at the business meeting that followed the supper. Mrs. A. McKee Elwell led the opening devotional.

The class voted to have a picnic supper at the Hut for the June meeting.

The members enjoyed a letter read by the president from Mrs. Ray Young of Chicago, Ill., formerly of Avon Park, and an active and loyal member of the class while here.

Those present on this delightful occasion were Mrs. B. F. Willson, Mrs T. H. Hughs, Mrs. M. B. Clark, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. W. M. Hetherington, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, Mrs Arthur Johnson, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Mrs. C. H. Harris, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, Mrs. J. C. Bentley, and Mrs. C. H. Salisbury.

### Episcopal Auxiliary Enjoys Meeting At Gilmour Home

Mrs. Alexander Gilmour, retiring president of St. Margaret's Auxiliary of the Church of the Redeemer, entertained members of the organization at her home on Wednesday afternoon, the business and program meeting being followed by a tea.

Mrs. Gilmour presided at a short business meeting, opened with prayer by Rev. John Daley.

Plans were completed for the food sale to be held May 19. Mrs. Daley, assisted by Mrs. E. G. Todd will be in charge of the sales.

Mrs. Sue Gregory, delegate from St. Margaret's Auxiliary to the annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of South Florida in Lakeland April 25-27, presented a complete and interesting report of the three day sessions.

Mrs. Damon Mandis, alternate, gave her impressions of the convention, and Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, Director of district four, gave an informative report. Mrs. Chas F. Kenney, secretary of this district presented a short, but comprehensive report. Mrs. Kenney has been elected by the Convention to be one of the representatives to the Provincial Synod of the Women's Auxiliary, which will be held in Nashville, Tenn., early in October.

The fall meeting of the Women's Auxiliaries of the district four of South Florida dioceses will be held in Avon Park, it was announced. This action was taken at the recent convention, upon invitation of the local auxiliary. Mrs. M. V. Pilcher led the closing prayer, followed by an informal tea hour.

The tea table was overlaid with an exquisite lace cloth, and centered with a bowl of colorful spring garden flowers. Mrs. Damon Mandis poured, and Mrs. M. V. Pilcher and Mrs. Walter S. Betts assisted in serving.

Those present included Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mrs. John Daley, Mrs. Dan Bitts, Mrs. Alexander Gilmour, Mrs. Sue Gregory, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. R. H. Jordan, Mrs. C. F. Kenney, Mrs. B. O. Knight, Mrs. Damon Mandis, Mrs. Frank Moore, Mrs. M. V. Pilcher, Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mrs. Frank Treston, Mrs. George Voorhees, Miss Barbara Betts, Mrs. Edward Touchton, Mrs. Homer Jordan, Mrs. A. Slayden, Mrs. Chas Davis, and Rev. John Daley.

### Mrs. Nye P. Justice Elected Club Leader

Mrs. Nye P. Justice, wife of 4048th commander, Lt Col Justice, was elected president of the Officers Wives' Club at the business meeting of the club last Wednesday.

Mrs. Delmar Rogers and Mrs. W. E. Treacy were voted into the offices of first and second vice president respectively. Position of secretary was won by Mrs. C. E. Hornsby Jr., and Mrs. Charles E. Cunningham became club treasurer.

Outgoing president, Mrs. C. H. Leighton was lauded by members for her untiring efforts in behalf of the club.

Next meeting is scheduled May 17 at the Officers' Club at 1300. No luncheon will be served.

### Woman's Club Hears Book Review; Report From Convention

Dr. R. H. Jordan, prominent educator, presented a most interesting review of the book, "Good Night, Sweet Prince" by Gene Fowler, at the April meeting of the Avon Park Woman's club on Friday afternoon. The book is an artful presentation of the life of the late hero of stage and screen, the temperamental, John Barrymore.

Dr. Jordan preluded his review with an introduction of delightful reminiscenses and facts, which established the actor in opinions, as the greatest of all time.

The chosen selections from the book developed, in proof, Barrymore's dual nature — his vices and his virtues. He was a great lover of animals, and they were always his friends. The impression was a sense of appreciation and indulgence for the artist's genius; a value for his honesty of purpose and fearless expression.

Mrs. C. F. Kenney, delegate to the Golden Jubilee Convention in Tampa April 10-13, inclusive, and incoming president of the club, gave an informative report, including highlights from the convention sessions, which were held in the palm room of the Tampa Terrace hotel. Mrs Ralph Smith, retiring president, presided with "charm and appeal," Mrs. Kenney said. The prevailing ideals presented throughout the convention days were "religion and home," at the peace table, and post-war progress. The devotions expressed charity and unity.

Mrs. Kenney's report continues:

Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and honor guest, was presented at the formal opening and made a forceful and impressive address. She stressed wisdom in preparation for lasting peace, advocating women's influence for home and religion. She gave two points for advice:— 1, Prepare for sacrifice in months to come; 2 — Help develop public opinion for unity. For the interest of women in America, she had been called to visit four foreign countries — Mexico, Cuba, Dominican Republic and Great Britain. She told of the fortitude of the British people under fire and of their silent suffering; their admirable perseverance. She lauded Red Cross and pronounced isolation just not practical. Closing, she plead that women realize their concerted power. "Anything — even peace — is yours if only you realize and ask."

In district reports, Mrs. Wm. Stelts, Director of district nine gave Avon Park Woman's Club honorable mention for having met requirements and burning of their mortgage.

At one of the sessions, Harold Colee, Vice-President of Florida State Chamber of Commerce, outlined post-war possibilities in Florida industries. His enthusiasm is contagious and makes one swell with pride in privilege of being a Floridian. He preluded his address with tribute to Florida womanhood. A woman, he said, had helped to organize the State Chamber of Commerce.

Rabbi David L. Zielonka of Tampa, spoke on "The Home and Religion at the Peace Table," giving peace points of a joint committee —Protestant, Catholic and Jew.

Colin English, Sup't. State Department of Education, speaking for "A better educated Florida," advocated raise in pay for its teachers.

Bishop Y. Y. Tsu of China, "Bishop of Burma Road," a learned and classical speaker, told how "China Fights On." He said, "Humanity is one," and plead for a peace based on "Justice for all." He lauded womanhood and the progress of women in Oriental countries as especially significant. "Mdme. Chiank Ki Shek," he said, "and three men, constitute China's War-time Council." The people have been given this motto: — "Resist the enemy 'til victory is won; reconstruct the nation 'til the work is done." His voice warmed in reverence in expressing gratitude and love for American boys fighting in "My country." He described their visits in the homes of China, adding, "When this war is over, I hope some one leaves one of those little jeeps in my back yard." So we see the fame of our jeep has traveled far.

A novel and interesting feature was the presentation of the candidates for Governor of Florida "in person." It was a genteel and unique way to have the ladies acquaint themselves with the will and personality of each of these gentlemen, and to select their "vote" in "almosphere."

The assistant state forester, Mr. Jacobs, chose "That New Material Called Wood," his subject; exhibiting samples of the new uses, he predicted, some day timbers will first be ground to saw-dust or pulp, from which products will be manufactured. He asked that each individual be a fire-warden to protect Florida's valuable wood-lands.

It was a privilege and an inspiration to hear those worth-while folk; those who are expressing their words and their ways to higher accomplishment. Thus we may meet our own dreams and have an added store of ideas from which to live.

Mrs. Jos. L. Gray, of Lake City, is the newly elected state president.

Mrs. G. P. Thayer, president, presided at the business meeting. Plans were made for a luncheon meeting in May when newly elected officers will be installed.

The library tea, which was to have been an April club feature, was postponed until a later date, which will be announced.

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# BLACK SOMBRERO

By CLIFFORD KNIGHT — WNU SERVICE

**Elsa Chatfield is disinherited by her Aunt Kitty who died of an overdose of morphine. Hemi Rogers and Harry Maddox go to Mexico to solve what they believe to be Aunt Kitty's murder. On arriving they find that Elsa's party has preceded them by plane. James Chesebro is murdered, Elsa's father, Sam, is shot to death from the sword of a marlin when his chair breaks, toppling him into the sea, and George Rumble is murdered and thrown into the sea near the dock. Rogers questions Berta, Sam's wife, and on examining the quirt with which Elsa had beaten Chesebro discovers by twisting the knob that it conceals the knife that killed Chesebro.**

Now Continue.

## CHAPTER XVIII

"In the presence of Senor Lombardo and realizing the implication in it that you killed Chesebro?"

For only a fraction of a second did she hesitate, then she answered calmly, "Yes."

Senor Otilio Lombardo, Jefe del policia, came up the Orizaba's ladder the next day but one, followed by Dr. Miguel Cruz. On the heels of the doctor came the barefooted, ragged mariachis, Felipe and Pancho.

"I have puzzled much, gentlemen," remarked Lombardo in English after cigarettes had been lighted, "about the confession of Senorita Chatfield that she killed Senor Chesebro. I do not understand it, and I take no action. I had come that evening persuaded that it was better, despite your promise, that I keep Senor Barton in jail for the murder of Senor Rumble. But when Senorita Chatfield speak I am confused, senor, and do not know what is best to do."

A faint smile twitched at Rogers' lips and he looked away across the bay to the shore where the coco palms seemed to shoot like bursting green rockets into the sky.

"There are many confusing things in this affair, senor," he remarked. "They have puzzled me too, but I believe that I can explain them all now."

"I would be very glad if you would."

"Four persons have died, Senor Lombardo—Katherine Chatfield in California; James Chesebro, Sam Chatfield and George Rumble, in Mexico. The explanation must include all four. It must be logical and there must be proof."

"Yes, of course," said Rogers.

"Sam Chatfield and his wife, Berta, arrived in California for their annual visit a year ago last winter. They stopped at a hotel in Pasadena, and, uninvited, went to spend the night with his sister, Katherine—Elsa's Aunt Kitty—that night Katherine Chatfield was murdered. The method used was an overdose of morphine, to which drug she was an addict, taking it hypodermically. A very faint odor of chloroform detected the next morning by only one investigator furnishes the single clue to what happened. A few drops of chloroform on a handkerchief, I believe, suddenly held to the unsuspecting victim's nose, and kept in place during the brief and violent struggle which probably followed, and the victim was unconscious. There was necessary only to load the hypodermic with an overdose of morphine and shoot it into the unconscious victim, wipe away all fingerprints from the syringe and the supply bottle, and press the prints of the victim on these things. Simple?"

"It is most simple, Senor Rogers," said Lombardo, a serious expression upon his round, brown face.

"Either a man or a woman could have done that, senor," Rogers began again. "Now, consider these facts: Present in the house, besides the servants, who do not figure in it at all, was Sam Chatfield. He knew that his sister was the mother of a child. He knew that she not only had refused to acknowledge the fact, but had permitted his daughter, Elsa, to be cruelly slandered, and not only had done nothing to quiet the gossip, but most likely had been instrumental in circulating it.

"Also in the house that night was Elsa, who openly and frankly at all times, as you heard the other night, has admitted that she hated her aunt. Besides these two there was Senora Berta Chatfield, who ever since she married Sam had resented the treatment given her by her sister-in-law, and who, as a wife, knew how her husband felt toward Katherine Chatfield.

"There, Senor Lombardo," Rogers continued, "I have named three persons with motives to kill and obviously with the opportunity to do so. But there were others that night who came and went. George Rumble, who had done some publicity work for Katherine Chatfield, came to receive his pay, which was refused him. There was an argument and hot words, and Rumble left. But he remained in the neighborhood uncertain whether or not he should return. Did he go back and kill her?"

Rogers was developing very logically the facts in that first slaying, and Lombardo followed his words closely. Doctor Cruz sat smoking cornhusk cigarettes endlessly, his eyelids making mere slits for his eyes. Neither spoke.

"That night, also," Rogers went on evenly, "Reed Barton was at Katherine Chatfield's home to give her a book rent by Chesebro. Reed has been very frank to admit that his father's death—a suicide—can be laid at the dead woman's door. A little leniency shown in a critical time would have saved his property for him. Did Reed Barton kill her?

"James Chesebro arrived and departed that night; we do not know why, the reason for his visit never having been explained before his death. Did he have some motive to kill the woman? Next came Dwight Nichols." Rogers nodded in Dwight's direction. The latter merely sat and smoked calmly, listening without offering to interrupt.

"Dwight Nichols profited by some two hundred thousand dollars at the death of Katherine Chatfield, because of some jointly owned property. Dwight has stated that he was summoned, for some reason unknown to him, to advise with Miss Chatfield. Margaret Nichols was jealous of Katherine Chatfield, because she feared her husband's love was being stolen from her. She, also, made a visit that night. However, Mrs. Nichols says she got only as far as the entrance hall when someone dashed out of the house in panic, someone who, she says, did not see her concealed behind some drapery. That person admittedly



"And finally, there is Elsa," said Rogers thoughtfully.

was her husband. Dwight Nichols says that he arrived only to find Katherine Chatfield dead. Is he telling the truth? Is his wife telling the truth; did either, or both, of them kill the woman?" Rogers halted to sip from his frosty glass.

"It is all very strange, Senor Rogers," said Lombardo, stirring uneasily in his chair. "How can you discover the truth in so complicated a case?"

Rogers smiled faintly, and I thought that there was the merest twinkle in his mild blue eyes. "If," he began again, "we exclude from suspicion all those persons who subsequently died by violence—Chesebro, Sam Chatfield, George Rumble—as victims of and not themselves the murderer, whom have we left?" He glanced from Doctor Cruz to Lombardo, then named them: "Elsa Chatfield, Senora Berta Chatfield, Margaret Nichols, Dwight Nichols, and Reed Barton. Those five.

"Now, then," Rogers said, a crispness coming into his voice, "we come to the death of James Chesebro. Of these five who could possibly wish him to die? Senora Berta Chatfield? I can think of no reason; I know of no motive, in fact. On the other hand, Reed Barton and Chesebro quarreled with each other over the love of Elsa Chatfield. Chesebro had discharged Barton from his employ. An excellent motive," he commented. "But—Dwight Nichols had been defrauded by Chesebro of fifty thousand dollars in a mining deal. That is a lot of money. Men have been murdered before now for much less, Senor Lombardo. And how about Margaret Nichols, the wife? Again fifty thousand dollars is a lot of money—to a woman."

"Yes, of course, much money," murmured Lombardo, absorbed in his own mental processes.

"And, finally, there is Elsa," said Rogers thoughtfully. "Hers is a stronger motive than all the others put together, senor. A young woman's good name is her most valuable possession. You are Mexican, and can understand the word revenge. Elsa was willing night before last to permit the inference that she had killed Chesebro. Senor, is Pedro, the pulque seller, a lying scoundrel who seeks to protect a woman, or does he tell the truth when he says that Dwight Nichols is the one who killed?"

Lombardo's face was puzzled; he was now hopelessly at sea. A frown had gathered on the forehead between the slitted eyes of Doctor Cruz as he followed the intricacies of the problem as set forth by Rogers. As for Rogers, I could not escape the conviction that he was enjoying himself hugely at the expense of Lombardo. His face, however, was more solemn than that of a judge. Lombardo started slightly at Rogers' question.

"Yo no se, senor," he admitted, reverting to Spanish in his confusion.

"I think, Senor Lombardo," said Rogers, dropping with a smile into Spanish, "you will tell Pedro out of jail when I finish telling you who is the guilty person." Lombardo's only response was an involuntary lifting of the eyebrows.

"However," Rogers took up again in English, in a most serious vein, "the name of the guilty one must wait a few minutes longer. I will come to it at the proper time. But now let us look for a moment at the death of Sam Chatfield. His is the most puzzling in the entire series. So much seems accident, so little may have been the handiwork of a murderer. A nut had come unscrewed from the swivel mechanism of the chair in which Sam sat in the launch. If the chair had not collapsed, there is little likelihood that he would have fallen overboard, probably none at all. Did somebody remove the nut? There was opportunity to do so for everybody who went on the fishing excursion, and even for George Rumble, who did not go. All of the servants, women members of the party, knew beforehand that Sam Chatfield would sit in that chair when we went after marlin.

"And, yet, I know of no motive upon the part of anyone for the death of Sam Chatfield. Of course, one never knows what's between a husband and a wife. Did Senora Chatfield have some motive unknown to us, and did she learn in some manner which seat her husband would occupy on that fatal excursion in the launch? But—let's drop Sam Chatfield's death for the moment, and go on to George Rumble's. I think that in it we will find something of interest—perhaps the key we are seeking."

Lombardo shifted in his chair and looked away for a moment to the tall towers of the church. Doctor Cruz crushed out the spark in his cigarette under his heel, and for a moment his hands were idle. The mariachis were growing restless, understanding nothing that had been said in English. Berta sat quite easily with legs crossed, and Dwight continued calmly to smoke.

"There are motives recognizable in the death of George Rumble," Rogers began once more. "For Margaret Nichols there was no opportunity. Senora Chatfield has admitted she went to the wharf that night to find someone to send for her husband's fishing equipment. Pedro Pancho went on the errand for her. She returned to the yacht. She asserts, however, that she did not see Rumble, who was murdered on the wharf that night. There was a motive for the murder of Rumble on the part of Dwight Nichols; he and Rumble quarreled only a short time before Rumble died. Rumble knew that Dwight was the man who rushed in panic out of Katherine Chatfield's house the night she was murdered; he held it over him, as it were, and Dwight believed it was for the purpose of blackmail. After we separated, Dwight, in the presence of Barry Madison, Sam Chatfield and me, made a remark which could be interpreted as a threat. He said that he would have to manage some way to quiet Rumble definitely."

Dwight was unmoved by this recital; he tapped the ash from his cigarette and continued to gaze calmly at Rogers. The latter paused to sip his glass of limeade before he went on.

"Another motive, not so strong, perhaps, is one that can be assigned to Reed Barton. George Rumble had fallen in love with Elsa. You knew that didn't you, Reed?"

"Yes."

"Again, Senor Lombardo," said Rogers, turning back to the chief, "love is a possible motive. How strong? How shall it be evaluated?" He paused only briefly. "However, there's a very definite motive, and I think the real one, to account for Rumble's murder — Rumble knew too much. He boasted that he knew who the killer was. What, in that case, will a murderer do? He will strike at the first opportunity, for he prizes his safety above all else. And that's what happened."

Lombardo stirred uneasily in his chair. "Who, Senor Rogers," he asked, "heard Senor Rumble boast that he knew the murderer?"

"Barry Madison, Sam Chatfield Dwight Nichols, and I."

"So?"

Reed Barton shifted his feet and cleared his throat lightly. "I shouldn't be left out, Hunt. Rumble hinted very broadly to me that he knew who killed Chesebro, then closed up like a clam when I asked him about it."

Rogers looked at him sharply, as if to determine whether the statement was made in a vein of bravado, or because he wished to be helpful. For a moment he was silent and then appeared to shift his approach to the problem of Rumble's murder

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# Let's Face Facts

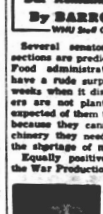
## Farm Machinery Output At Double 1943 Level; But Remains a Problem

By BARROW LYONS

WNU Staff Correspondent

Several senators from farming sections are predicting that the War Food administration is going to have a rude surprise within a few weeks when it discovers that farmers are not planting the acreages expected of them this year — partly because they cannot get farm machinery they need to make up for the shortage of manpower.

Equally positive are officials of the War Production board that there will be enough machinery with which to plant, cultivate and harvest all crops. War Food administration points confidently to early reports of acreage planted and says that if average weather prevails, crops will be adequate for domestic needs — but with less to spare for feeding foreign populations than UNRRA will request.



Barrow Lyons

Here is the argument that WPB gives: Last year only about 40 per cent of the machinery manufactured in the base years — 1940 and 1941 — was produced; but this year about 80 per cent of the base year production is planned. Production is running close to schedule on some items and lagging on others. Harvesting and hay gathering machinery seems to be furthest behind.

Harvesting machinery is in much greater demand than the supply. In this field authorized schedules are, on the whole, almost 125 per cent of base period production, but it is not now expected that schedules will be met. How far output will lag depends largely upon labor supply and the demand of the military for critical components.

### Scheduled Increases

Combines with width of cut over 10 feet are scheduled for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, at 118 per cent of base output, those between 6 and 10 feet at 110 per cent and smaller ones at 75 per cent. Schedules for binders are not as great in proportion to base output. But the programs for potato diggers and pickers, beet and vegetable harvesters are much higher.

Furthermore, repair parts may be manufactured in whatever quantities needed. Altogether, the farm machinery industry is programmed to turn out nearly twice the volume of equipment it did last year — but, frankly, the program is not going to be completed.

However, an indication that the situation is not as serious as last year is that the volume of complaints is far less. One WPB official, for one day last week, said he was receiving from 30 to 35 telephone calls a day from congressmen requesting him to look after constituents, is at present receiving very few urgent requests for farm machinery.

There is one certainty — farmers must give more attention to repair of equipment than ever before. In this country they have hardly begun to take repairs at seriously as farmers in England or in enemy nations. Those who have been to England say the British are far ahead of us in that respect, and reports coming from Germany indicate that a fine job is being done there on the repair problem.

Dealers throughout America, however, have been advised to order repair parts by telegram, and manufacturers to ship by airmail. If no tape or forms are required. All a farmer needs to do is to tell his dealer that he needs the repair parts.

### Many Repairs Needed

Recently the results of a survey of repair needs made by the WPB Office of Civilian Requirements was published. It showed that in 1943 owners of 42 per cent of the mowing machines of the country required repairs for their equipment, and that 13 per cent of those needing repairs did not get them; 43 per cent of the owners of combines required repairs, and 8 per cent of those requiring them were not serviced. These were among the worst repair records.

But it is the belief in WPB today that repair troubles should be virtually a thing of the past, and that normal servicing will be obtainable.

In Indiana, cooperative repair shops have been established which have been a great aid in obtaining speedy repairs. In a few other states similar shops have been established as part of the agricultural college extension services, and farmers come from all parts of the counties to avail themselves of these facilities.

On the whole, machinery manufacturers are handicapped by labor shortages, lack of motors, chains, malleable iron and castings.

To obtain the best distribution of farm machinery, manufacturers this year were authorized to dispose of 80 per cent of their output where they thought it would do the most good. Twenty per cent was under allocation of the War Food administration to supply in areas where supply appears to be short. The opinion of those responsible for this program is that it has been working fairly well.

# Washington Digest

## U. S. Farm Expert Gives Friendly Advice to China

### Department of Agriculture Officials Visit Chinese, Suggest Practical Methods Of Increasing Food Production.

By BAUKHAGE

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Out in Falls Church, Virginia, a little way from Washington, there lives a friend of mine who was brought up on a farm. Last year, some new neighbors moved in next door — city folks, you could tell by looking at them, but full of pep and vinegar and very patriotic. They started out to make a victory garden.

My friend could tell by the way they handled their hoes that before long, they'd be asking him for advice.

He's a good neighbor, but he isn't nosey. So he just waited.

Well, it wasn't long before the man next door came up, leaned over the fence, and said: "How is it your garden is coming along so good and mine ain't?"

My friend smiled, and then he pitched in and told him some of the facts of plant life.

It isn't going to benefit my friend even if his neighbor's garden is a record breaker but he's a typical American and he's doing what we all need to do back in the old days when neighbor depended on neighbor — giving a helping hand when it is needed.

Last week, I sat down across the desk from a big, black-haired fellow, who looks a lot younger than he is in years and wisdom. His name is Dr. Ralph W. Phillips.

When I talked with him, he had just returned from giving a little neighborly advice over the back fence to our Chinese neighbors. He's in charge of gemetics investigations for the Department of Agriculture and he was loaned to the State department, along with some 21 other experts, "to go over to China (at the invitation of the Chinese) to look around and see what ought to be done to improve their stock.

For you and me and most Americans, even those who don't know much more about a farm than to think "starter" just underwear, a thing that doesn't give milk wouldn't be much of a critter. But believe it or not, one of the results which it is hoped Dr. Phillips' trip will achieve is to explain to the Chinese why cows have udders.

### First-Hand Facts

The Chinese know many things which we don't know, but Phillips has put between the covers of a book now being printed in China, a lot of things that Chinese never knew before. He got his facts first hand, traveling over most of the unoccupied parts of China with the Chinese Minister of Agriculture and a good interpreter, and collated them against his own expert knowledge of animal husbandry. But as he said to me, if you know anything about a cow, a sheep or a horse, you don't need an interpreter to tell you what's the matter with it.

It was a hot day in Washington when I interviewed Dr. Phillips and he had his coat and vest off.

"I'm a shirtsleeve diplomat," he said to me.

From him I learned a little more of the details of his particular job. I realized that it was one in which you had to take off your coat and roll up your sleeves. Among other things, he rode several hundred miles over what the Chinese laughingly call roads, in ancient automobiles, and a good many miles on the back of a very tough Mongolian pony.

This friendly, easy-going shirtsleeve scientist typifies a new order — he is part of a new, honest effort (as one member of the State department said to me) "to establish a relationship of people to people" rather than a relationship of diplomat to diplomat, or government to government.

Dr. Phillips witnessed the effects of the great migration of the Chinese government followed by its universities, its people, its industries. This great movement, enforced by the Japanese occupation, opened up vast territory in western and northwestern China about which very little was known and with which the rulers of China heretofore have been very little concerned. For the sake of this discussion, China can be roughly divided into two quite different agricultural domains. In the crowded eastern provinces, small farming and very small farming, indeed, is the chief activity. In the west, there are great grasslands better adapted to the raising of stock.

Animal husbandry in China must meet one immediate problem, and that is, increasing and improving production in the western part of the country and breeding for it stocking in the areas which will be re-occupied when the Japanese are driven out.

The heavy demands for food by the American military, to say nothing of China's own soldiers, made it necessary for the Chinese to increase food production to the utmost. At present, however, Dr. Phillips reported that except for the famine areas where drouth or locusts have affected the crops, the Chinese people have more food available than is popularly believed.

But they aren't making the most of their cows and pigs and chickens.

As to the Chinese cow, absolutely Dr. Phillips spoke with great feeling, one of the first things to do is to teach the Chinese peasant that it gives milk and that milk is a pretty good food. And then to improve the breed so that it will give milk. At present, the cow is a beast of burden, a draft animal. However, it isn't even as good a draft animal as it could be. It will not be difficult to improve the breed so that it will be more efficient as a beast of burden and as a milk giver at the same time.

Of course, the Nomadic people who live on the great plains of northern China, who live from their herds, use the milk as food, mostly dried in the form of cassein. They also store butter. They have the yak and a hybrid animal, a cross between a yak and a cow, which is called a "pien-niu."

The chickens in China aren't much to crow about either, I take it, from Dr. Phillips' description. If they lay only 50 to 60 eggs a year, mostly during summer. There, too, breeding from selected types that China already has would be a great help.

Dr. Phillips likes the Chinese donkeys and in spite of personal experiences on their backs, thinks Mongolian horses have possibilities. Very good mules are produced by crossing the Mongolian horse with the donkey. The Mongolian horse is a little, tough-mouthed, flat-withered, crooked-legged animal which could be greatly improved with inter-breeding with a good saddle horse strain.

### No Ordered Effort

Dr. Phillips had first-hand experience with these little animals whose ancestors were tough enough to carry Ghangis Khan across Asia but are too tough to follow the bridle if they get other ideas.

Up until now, there seems to have been no ordered effort by the representatives of any other foreign country to assist in the improvement of Chinese livestock. Missionaries here and there have introduced better breeds which have had an influence in the immediate vicinity, German missionaries brought in some nice fat pigs. Others introduced good chickens and cows. But these were only a drop in the bucket.

The Chinese Department of Agriculture itself is a new thing and has very little background of training or experience. Perhaps the one most important influence has been the exchange established between Cornell university and the University in Nanking. A number of experts in agriculture have been trained at Cornell and have gone back to China.

Naturally with such a large proportion of the population illiterate, it will be exceedingly difficult to spread the information even when the Chinese leaders themselves are trained.

The present Chinese government, despite the fact that almost every ounce of energy has to be turned toward fighting the war, has shown an interest evidenced by the welcome reception given the various American representatives, and the United States on its side has sought to improve its relations between people and extend its influence by this activity which is a part of the cultural relations program.

## BRIEFS . . . by Baukhage

Premier Hideki Tojo's government has announced details of a countrywide "vacant lots utilization program" under which the land along railroad lines and highways, as well as other available vacant areas, will be put to use for planting pumpkins and soybeans to help solve Japan's war food problems. The plan is quite reminiscent of our own victory gardens.

Yanks on leave in British restaurants ask for roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, fish-and-chips and home-made scones, while British customers have taken to traditionally American dishes such as cheese with apple pie, and fried chicken and waffles, the British Information services report. The war may lead to an exchange of cooking recipes as well as an exchange of ideas.

# CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT


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### Foot Toll Fortune

In China fortunes are usually told by reading the lines on the soles of the feet as well as the markings on the palms of the hands.






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# Smart Apparel, Household Items Can Be Made From Cotton Bags

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



IT'S IN the bag, that new smock you need or pretty pinafore you covet, or a sun-suit for little sister. The bag is the same cotton bag that holds your flour, sugar, salt and other such commodities as are packaged in cotton.

One of the most fascinating and thrifty hobbies imaginable is this of creating, not several, but hundreds of attractive and useful household items and articles of apparel from cotton bags. It adds to the fun of converting bags into smartly wearable clothes if you keep a stock of gay rick-rack braid and colorful boil-fast threads and yarns on hand just to give an extra flourish of trimming and embroidery touches to the garments you make. There is no limit to the intriguing accents that can be given to your chic bag fashions, and at such a trifling cost, too. Then too, you can inject real drama into the bag-sewing program by dyeing some of the cotton squares in gay Mexican blues and reds, yellows and purples. Make these up into picturesque peasant dirndl skirts and dresses that are worked out in striking color contrast.

Best of all is the patriotic spirit you show when you salvage fabrics. The housewife who converts cotton bags into the many useful items they are capable of becoming under the magic of willing hands and minds not only serves herself but conserves essential fabrics for her country.

Under the slogan that "a yard saved is a yard gained for victory," the Textile Bag Manufacturers association has prepared a 32-page booklet "A Bag of Tricks for Home Sewing." This free booklet presents practical ways in which bags can be used to make decorative pieces for home, clothes for the family and very pretty costume accessories.

For the charming dress sketched above to the left in the illustration, the designer uses the bag fabric in its natural color, highlighting it with gaily colorful rick-rack used to trim the low-cut U-neckline, the front opening, the pockets and the sleeves.

The attractive pinafore centered at the top is made of unbleached bags. You can either hem this apron all around or pipe it with bright colored cotton bias tape-binding such as is available at all notion counters for a few cents outlay. To give it extra fillup, trim it with an applique of flower motifs cut from bright cotton print. You can buy packaged assortments of cutout cotton figures and you'll find them a source of joy as they can be used to trim in so many effective ways.

The dress to the right demonstrates convincingly what smart fashions can be turned out of the unbleached cotton bags. Gay colored accents can be added, such as contrast piping or multi-colored rick-rack also the new green, red, blue and yellow plastic buttons which are being used in rotation. Contrast bodice tops are excellent style and this same model could be made up in this way. Here's where the bags dyed in high colors can be made to yield new glamour. Dye up some of the bags you have on hand, you'll be surprised how effectively they work into the scheme of things.

The adorable little play dress below to the left with rick-rack trim is pretty enough to set any little girl's heart all a'flutter. The youngster to the right in the little sun-suit and matching bonnet is due for applause at any style show. Note the bolero, the bag and the weskit and the bridge luncheon set, each of which is made of cotton bags.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

# Print Accents



A new style technique that offers endless possibilities is that of using print for matching accessories and as accent to the costume itself. We used to think that a print blouse was the whole story but new in order to make news a print blouse must be teamed with something else made of the same pattern. In this instance a blouse is accompanied by gloves of the same print. To further unify the costume the wool suit has inserts at the shoulders of the same silk and rayon polka dot that makes the blouse and the gloves.

# Taffeta Accessories Set Off Basic Suit

If you have a basic suit—bolero and cardigan types are smartest this season—or a simple long-torso black gown, you have achieved a perfect foundation for the new taffeta accessories that are so swagger. It's the newest of fashion gestures to brighten your simple suits and dresses with splurges of striking plaid, check or stripe taffeta. You can make an old garment look new by adding these dramatic taffeta accents. You can buy such intriguing items as a weskit of Roman stripe, the stripes made up horizontally with tailored bows used instead of button fastenings. Then there is the modish sun-back sleeveless blouse made of bold taffeta check having a huge bow-tie at the neckline, the whole affair cut on the bias. Most sensational of all are gloves and bags made of taffeta matched to the hat.

# You Can Be Either Formal Or Informal in Gingham

You can dress up or down to occasion in gingham. If it's formality you seek wear a black and white check gingham, which has a yoke of low-cut decolletage also a gypsy scarf about the hips worked with glittering black beads. With your sports slacks wear a gingham cowboy shirt in vivid colors. You will like the new gingham accessories that are being worn with suits and dresses this summer. Hats, bags and gloves made of gingham have high fashion rank this season. You'll love these gay fabrics fit for all occasions this season.

# • OUR COMIC SECTION •










## WALKIE TALKIE




Jones—My wife always has the last word.

Smith—You're lucky! My wife never gets to it!

**Real Old One!**

Jake—We've got a hen over at our place that laid an egg a foot long!

Zeke—That's nothing. We got something over at our place that'll beat that!

Jake—What's that?

Zeke—An egg-beater!

**Through the Ages**

Father—That young man stays too late!—Hasn't your mother said anything to you about it?

Daughter—Yes, Dad. Mother says men haven't changed a bit!

## Th for Tat

Mrs. Brown—I like everything about our new apartment except that our neighbors can hear everything we say.

Mrs. Blue—Why don't you put some heavy hangings on the walls?

Mrs. Brown—Then we wouldn't be able to hear what our neighbors say!

**All Play!**

Nit—Why do you want to be a watch maker?

Wit—Then I can hold hands and make faces!

**In the Dog House**

Mrs. Brown—She calls her dog and her husband by the same pet name. It must cause a lot of confusion.

Mrs. Blue—Oh, no. She always speaks gently to the dog!

**Caeducation**

Jane—I didn't know she was a sorority girl?

Joan—She's not! That hungry look comes from all the boys being in the army!

## HEAD OF THE CLASS



Teacher—Can you tell me anything about the great chemists of the 18th century?

Smarty—They're all dead, sir!

**An Orphan**

Conductor—You'll have to buy a ticket for that boy, ma'am.

Lady—I do not!

Conductor—He's big enough. How old is he?

Lady—How do I know? I never saw him before!

**Where's That Siren?**

Mrs. Glotz—Do you think I'll ever be able to do anything with my voice?

Music Teacher—It might come in handy in case of fire!

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# ASK ME ANOTHER?
## A General Quiz

### The Questions

1. How great an area does the Vatican City cover?
2. "Ad valorem" is a duty levied according to what?
3. How long will it take 1,000 airplane workers on a 40-hour week to replace 60 bombers lost?
4. January 25, 1944, was the start of what year for China?
5. A febrile person is what?
6. What is the average length of an adult porpoise?
7. What country is on Mexico's southern border?
8. What way is shorter to Japan from San Francisco—by way of the Aleutians or via Hawaii?
9. James J. Davis was secretary of labor under how many Presidents?
10. In business what is meant by a silent partner?

### The Answers

1. The Vatican City covers about 100 acres.
2. Value.
3. One year.
4. The 4641st year.
5. Feverish.
6. Five and one-half feet.
7. Guatemala.
8. By way of the Aleutians is shorter by 1,700 miles.
9. Three—Harding, Coolidge and Hoover.
10. One who has invested money in the business without having assumed an active role in its administration.

# Wealth Changes Things

The newly rich oil farmer, unable to write, deposited his first royalty check in the bank and arranged that his signature should be two crosses. Soon a check showed up signed with three crosses and the banker summoned the farmer for an explanation. "Well, my wife is gettin' into society," he explained, "and she thinks I should have a middle name."

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IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA. IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Re Estate of:
CHARLES MADEIRA, 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 Charles Madeira, deceased, late of New Haven County, Connecticut, 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 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.
ALICE MAYNARD MADEIRA,
As Executrix of said Estate.
R. I. HARRIS,
Agent for Executrix.
Apr. 28, May 5, 12, 19

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DORA HERNDON FOR AUTHORITY TO SELL CERTAIN REAL ESTATE THE PROPERTY OF CHARLOTTE M. HERNDON, A MINOR.
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID LANDS:
Notice is hereby given of the intention of Dora Herndon, as Guardian of the estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a Minor, to apply to the Hon. Thos. A. McNicholas, County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, for authority to sell the following property located in Highlands County, Florida, to-wit:
An undivided 1/24 interest in all of Blocks Sixty Six (66) and Sixty Seven (67), of "Unit One" of Lake Lillian Section of Highland Lakes," a subdivision in Township 33 South, Range 28 East, as per replat thereof recorded in the public records of Highlands County, Florida.
Said application will be made to said Judge at his office in the Court House, Sebring, Florida, at eleven o'clock A. M., May 8th, 1944. All persons interested in said lands are hereby warned to appear before said Judge at the time and place mentioned and show cause, if any they have, why authority to sell said lands should not be granted.
Dated April 7th, 1944.
MRS. DORA HERNDON
As Guardian of the Estate of Charlotte M. Herndon, a Minor.
April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5.

The Board of Directors of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce Building at 8:15 P. M.
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## Employees Get Service Emblems

The Florida Power Corporation and the Florida Public Service Company were each presented plaques for the best 1943 record for safety in 150 utilities at a ceremonial at Lake Wales Wednesday night. D. C. Driscoll, utility executive made the presentation. H. R. Cloud, head of the local utilities company introduced Mr. Driscoll.

A. W. Higgins, president of the Florida Power Corporation gave an illustrated talk on Florida industries and advantages. He showed a display of Florida products, including such items as Palmatex products, phosphates, citrus fruits and other staple products.

Honored for long years of faithful service to the company, were fourteen Avon Park employees of the company, who were presented service emblems, for length of time averaging 10 years for each. Heading the list, was Brisco Willis, with 20 years service. 15-year service emblems were awarded to F. P. Atchison, R. R. Brown, James L. Johnson, D. J. Parker, and G. H. Reeder. Ten-year service emblems were presented to Walter E. Rutherford, H. H. Shepherd, E. A. Wilkerson and Walter J. Wightman. Five-year emblems were given to Verna J. Heim, Durrh W. Martin, Ray J. Ruthford, and David Seaser (colored).

## CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE — Two Hollywood single beds, $35.00 each. S. L. Oliver, 323 E. Canfield Street. Apr. 28, May 5

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FOR SALE — Fuller Brushes. Edgar Stauffer. April 28, thru May 19.

FOR SALE — Beets for canning. $1.00 per bushel. Koptas, P. O. Box 55. 1tp.

FOR SALE — Three black female cocker spaniels. Six weeks old. $20.00 each. Phone 183 R. 1tc.

FOR SALE: Hartman wardrobe trunk. Large size. $50.00. 210 N. 9th Ave., Wauchula. 1tpd.

FOR SALE — Six room house, completely furnished; all electric kitchen. Price $4500, $2000 cash, balance terms. R. I. Harris. 1tp.

LOST — One small Parker fountain pen. Name Elizabeth Smith stamped on it. If found, notify P. O. Box 822. Reward. 1tc

FOR SALE — Bed room suite, practically new, also odd pieces of furniture. B. T. Crosby, 121 E. Walnut St.

FOR SALE — House, five rooms and bath; completely furnished; screened front and back porch; electric refrigerator and gas stove; small grove and two lots included. Three blocks from town. Mrs. George Harper, 17 West Verona Street. 1tc.

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## Roger Sappington Made Eagle Scout Monday Evening

E. G. Todd, chairman of the Highlands County committee on Advancement, acted as master of ceremonies at the Scout Court of Honor held at the High School Auditorium Monday evening.

Eight new Scouts were invested with the rank of Tenderfoot Scout in a ceremony conducted by Scoutmaster R. E. Maysack and Senior Patrol Leader Dick Stodden.

M. V. Pilcher awarded insignia to eleven Scouts for advancement. He spoke of the noteworthy results he had observed in his contact with young men who had been Scouts.

In the address of the evening Rev. E. J. Daley emphasized the value of maintaining the high ideals of Scouting.

The impressive ceremony of investing Roger Sappington with the coveted rank of Eagle Scout was conducted by Scout Executive D. L. Liles of Tampa. All lights were turned out and as Glen Whitcomb repeated and explained the three parts of the Scout Oath and the twelve Laws, Dick Stodden lighted a candle for each. Then Roger, on bended knee, was asked to repeat the Scout Oath and rededicate himself to a life of service. After this Mr. Liles formally invested him with the Eagle rank and gave the insignia to Mrs. Sappington who pinned it on her son's breast.

Mrs. Paul McClanahan and sons, Neal and Paul Jr., have returned to their home in Bartlett, N. H., after spending the winter here with parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kempton at their home on Lake Isis. Rev. McClanahan, who joined his wife and sons here a month ago returned with them.

### HAVE YOU AN EXTRA EGG BEATER

The PTA lunch room needs an egg beater! If anyone has two, will they please loan or donate the extra one to the lunch room.

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Mesa Bill No. 1062

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Alice B. Lewis the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No. 344
Year of Issuance: 1939
Description of Property: Lot 9, Block 108, Lakeview Park, Per Plat Book 1, Page 41, Section 26, Township 34 South, Range 29 East.
Name in which assessed — Unknown.
All of said property being in the County of Highlands, State of Florida.
Unless such 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 June, 1944, which is the 5th day of June, 1944.
Dated this 3rd day of May, 1944.
M. T. PIRTLE,
Clerk of Circuit Court of
(SEAL) Highlands County, Florida.
HELEN B. PECK,
Deputy Clerk.
May 5, 12, 19, 26

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## Election
(Continued From Page One)

Graham, 983; Green 906; Caldwell, 693; Ed Baker, 189; Raymond Sheldon, 304; Frank Upchurch, 313.

The county vote for attorney general was Watson, 1,648; E. F. Martin, 830; Ernest Householder, 228; for state comptroller, Lee, 2,415; C. O. Wright, 747; for state superintendent of public instruction, English, 2,181; Lois Trammell, 488; for railroad commissioner, Douglas, 1,381; Williams, 747, and Akin, 335. Lee received the biggest vote in this county given any one candidate.

An amendment authorizing compensation at $600 per annum to members of the Board of Public Instruction may be passed when final returns are in. The vote was 944 to 783 in favor of the amendment with one precinct from Avon Park yet to be heard from.

With the same precinct in Avon Park yet to be heard from, another amendment already is defeated 913-630. The latter amendment provides for change from fee to salary basis for members of the county board of bond trustees.

I Sincerely Appreciate Your Fine Vote and Confidence
FRED WILD

My Sincere Thanks:
I appreciate the nice vote I received in Avon Park and Highlands County. I respectfully solicit your continued support and vote on May 23.
William Cliett
FOR SENATOR 27TH DISTRICT

Thanks For Everything
I appreciate the support of the people of Avon Park and Highlands county, and though I did not get elected, I have a very kindly feeling for the many fine people I met here during the campaign.
A. J. [Al] Dunham

THANKS FOR THE SPLENDID VOTE WHICH YOU GAVE ME IN TUESAY'S PRIMARY.
I SINCERELY APPRECIATE THE CONFIDENCE IMPLIED BY YOUR VOTE.
Doyle Schumacher

Thank You:
For your vote and support in my candidacy for County Judge. I will try to repay your confidence with good administration of the office.
Sincerely,
Howard Livingston

## Our M... In The Servi...

Pfc. Alta Frisell with... local corps, stationed at ... son, Colorado, has re... camp, after a leave spe... his home. This is the ... lough that he has had ... and he was really gla... home.

Lieut. Woodson Sadle... his wings in the air ... two weeks ago, and is n... Sill, Oklahoma taking ... flight training. He was ... the names of all Avon ... stationed at Fort Sill ... get in touch with the ... Woodson here are two ... Chester Yates, formerly ... of the high school faculty ... tioned there. Also, Lie... Martin, daughter of Mr. ... T. O. Martin, is an ac... structor with the WAC ... tioned at Fort Sill.)

Lieut. Walton Tou... corps combat pilot, has ... land in the Pacific had ... last week, when he was ... of one of five crews ... ferry planes to the Un... He had a few days' ho... parents, Dr. and Mrs. W... ton, and was joined b... Mrs. Barbara Touchton... member of the facu... Plonk Dramatic Schoo... N. C. He left Monday ... turn to his base.

Capt. Lesley Rawling... been stationed at For... Arizona, is now at ... school at Camp Bliss, T...

Tech Sgt. Arthur A... of Quinebaug, Conn., h... guest of Mayor and Mr... laney. Sgt. Bourbeau, ... a B-17, was a member ... squadron as Tech Sgt. ... laney, Jr., and flew ... combat missions from ... He is now stationed ... Field. Sgt. Bourbeau ... sions to his credit, as ... awarded the Distinguis... Cross, the Air Medal, ... Oak Leaf Clusters.

Sgt. J. T. Williford ... in the ordnance dep... Camp Polk, La., rete... Monday, after spending ... leigh here at his home ...

Charles G. Leslie, ... spend his 2nd furlough ... his parents. He recently ... ed for service with the ... Combat Demolition ... transferred from Little ... to the Amphibious T... at Fort Pierce, Florida ... no assignments to the ... Unit. All service is s... teer, including officers ... ed men.

Captain Devon Reed ... stationed in Hawaii, ... states for a month or ... San Francisco, Cal... mediately upon ... states, he called his ... and wanted Kitty and ... Dickie to join him in ... co. They left Wednes... board.

1st Lieut. David H... nett was among the ... at the Air Transpo... Ferrying Division's ... Transition school ... Army Air Field. ... nett has completed ... Brownsville, he will ... the important job ... fighter aircraft to a ... world where needed ... son of Mr. and Mrs. ... was an accountant ... sity of Georgia Eve... Atlanta, before ent...

Sgt. Robert D. J... been overseas 20 m... been in the Solomo... of that time, is ... soon. He writes ... he has been in a ... Caledonia, followin...

Pfc. M. F. Ferru... England, where he ... ice group in the a...

Lieut. Harold R... rines, "Coach" as ... known in Avon P... Rowe that he had ... life when he fo... "Red" Stephens, ... the same plane th... near Guadacanal. ... was also former ... Park's Red Devi... a letter to a frie... he expects to see ... man, U. S. navy ... Seaman Witt is ... Jack Witt and ... of this city.

### Contribut... Accepted ... PTA Plan...

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# THE SUN

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Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

## Our Men In The Service

Pfc. Alta Frizzell with the medical corps, stationed at Camp Carson, Colorado, has returned to camp, after a leave spent here at his home. This is the first furlough that he has had for a year, and he was really glad to get home.

Lieut. Woodson Sadler received his wings in the air corps two two weeks ago, and is now at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, taking advanced flight training. He wants to know the names of all Avon Park men stationed at Fort Sill so he can get in touch with them. (Well, Woodson here are two — Major Chester Yates, formerly a member of the high school faculty is stationed there. Also, Lieut. Ouida Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Martin, is an academics instructor with the WAC, and stationed at Fort Sill.)

Lieut. Walton Touchton, air corps combat pilot, based on an island in the Pacific had a real break last week, when he was a member of one of five crews assigned to ferry planes to the United States. He had a few days here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton, and was joined by his wife, Mrs. Barbara Touchton, who is a member of the faculty of the Plonk Dramatic School, Ashville, N. C. He left Monday night to return to his base.

Capt. Lusby Rawlings, who has been stationed at Fort Huachua, Arizona, is now at anti aircraft school at Camp Bliss, Texas.

Tech Sgt. Arthur A. Bourbeau of Quinebaug, Conn., has been the guest of Mayor and Mrs. E. A. Delaney. Sgt. Bourbeau, engineer on a B-17, was a member of the same squadron as Tech Sgt. E. A. Delaney, Jr., and flew with him on combat missions from England. He is now stationed at MacDill, Field. Sgt. Bourbeau has 23 missions to his credit, and has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Sgt J .T. Williford stationed in the ordnance department at Camp Polk, La., returned there Monday, after spending his furlough here at his home.

Charles O. Locke, III, Q. M. 3/c, spent last week end at home with his parents. He recently volunteered for service with the U. S. Navy Combat Demolition Unit and transferred from Little Creek, Va., to the Amphibious Training Base at Fort Pierce, Florida. There are no assignments to the Demolition Unit. All service is strictly volunteer, including officers and enlisted men.

Captain Devon Reddick, who is stationed in Hawaii, is back in the states for a month or so, and is in San Francisco, California. Immediately upon reaching the states, he called his home here, and wanted Kitty and their son, Dickie to join him in San Francisco. They left Wednesday via Seaboard.

1st Lieut. David Richard Bennett was among the recent arrivals at the Air Transport Command Ferrying Division's new Pursuit Transition school at Brownville Army Air Field. When Lt. Bennett has completed his training at Brownsville, he will be qualified for the important job of ferrying fighter aircraft to all parts of the world where needed. Lt. Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bennett, was an accountant at the University of Georgia Evening School at Atlanta, before entering the army.

Sgt. Robert D. Joiner, who has been overseas 20 months, and has been in the Solomon Islands much of that time, is expected home soon. He writes his family that he has been in a hospital in New Caledonia, following active service.

Pfc. M. F. Fennell is now in England, where he is with his service group in the army air forces.

Lieut. Harold Rowe, of the Marines, "Coach" as he is familiarly known in Avon Park, writes Mrs. Rowe that he had the thrill of his life when he found that Capt. "Red" Stephens, was stationed at the same place that he is, which is near Guadacanal. Capt. Stephens was also former coach of Avon Park's Red Devils. Lt. Rowe, in a letter to a friend here, said that he expects to see Jack Witt, Seaman, U. S. navy sometime soon. Seaman Witt is the son of Mrs. Jack Witt and the late Mr. Witt of this city.

### Contributions Accepted For PTA Piano Fund

Anyone wishing to contribute to the "piano fund" of the PTA, is asked to give their donation to Mrs. T. J. Ward, chairman, or any member of her committee, who are Mrs. Earl H. Ware, Miss Barbara Betts, and Mrs. W. M. Hetherington.

## Organization Meeting For 5th War Loan

### County-wide Meet To Be Held Here Next Thursday

The Fifth War Loan is coming up, and county-wide organization will again be necessary to carry out the campaign and meet quotas.

The first conference will be held in Avon Park at the Florida Power Corporation room Thursday, May 18 at 8 p. m. Karl Lehman, executive manager of the Florida War Finance Committee will conduct the meeting, which will be county-wide in scope.

Lehman will discuss the details of the drive which starts June 12 and runs through July 8, in which the country will be asked to raise 16 billion dollars by buying Fifth War Bonds.

All workers who have worked in past drives, and others who wish to help, are asked to be present and help organize. Wm. Hauptmann, director of the speakers' group for Highlands county, and R. R. Brown, local chairman of past drives will head up the meeting.

## Caldwell Sticks To "No Trades, No Promises" Slogan

TALLAHASSEE, May 11 — (Special) — Without even a pause, Millard Caldwell, leading candidate for governor, is again carrying his message direct to the people over the state, trying to personally contact as many as possible and leaving his message in every locality.

"There is no change in my program," said Caldwell. "What I have offered the people is my well considered plan for Florida as far as it is possible to foresee events. My campaign in this second lap of the race for governor is exactly the same as the first and I shall conduct it in the same way. I have made no promises of a political job and I have made no trade for votes. I shall make none. My administration must be what I stated it would be many weeks ago — a sound commonsense, businesslike administration of state government."

Another point which Caldwell stressed was that he would continue to ignore mud-slinging. "I will engage in no mud-slinging or character attacks against my opponent, and I will continue to carry the campaign direct to the individual citizens and voters, ignoring the trading politicians," he said.

"More than 112,000 people believed me in the first primary," he said, "and I feel that thousands of others who supported other candidates will turn to me for the same reason in the second. I hope they all vote."

### Congregational Church Will Have Special Service

Engaging in a national denominational-wide program for personal commitment to American participation in a cooperative world order, the members and congregation of Union Congregational Church in Avon Park will Sunday, May 21, cooperate with more than one million other Congregational Christian Church members in a dramatic public signing of a World Order Compact, patterned after the historic Mayflower Compact written in the cabin of that famous little ship in 1620. Following the wording of the original, the World Order Compact reads:

"In the name of God, Amen. We whose names are underwritten, loyal members of Union Congregational Church of Avon Park, Florida, do solemnly and mutually, in the presence of God and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together to work for a just and cooperative world order. We pray that our nation shall help to establish an international organization for the better ordering of the interdependent life of nations the preservation of peace with justice, and the furtherance of the general good of all peoples. Unto this great task we commit our wills and ways. In witness whereof we have here-

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## PTA Hears Fine Program; Officers Are Installed

Culminating a year of successful activities, the final meeting of the Parent Teachers' Association was held in the auditorium Thursday afternoon, when new officers were installed; yearly reports were heard, and a program presented by the three first grades.

Opening the program was a clever little playlet dramatized by Miss Margaret Woodall, and featuring the 100 first grade children. The stage was transformed into a lovely flower garden, where Mother Nature, in the person of young Patricia Budd, reigned supreme. A group of happy children including Lewis Stidham, Betsy Robertson, Donna Crews, Mary Ann Grooves, Clora Ann Brawen, Clifford Mitchell, Jacqueline Bonner, Clement McFarland and Nora Lyons entered the garden through a trellised gateway to play and viewing the many wonderful things that Mother Nature had provided asked from whence they all came.

Groups of children, bedecked in colorful costumes representing roses, lilacs, sunbeams, raindrops, pine trees, the wind, butterflies and bluebirds answered the questions in song, in variance with that much loved song of childhood,

"Oh, who can make a flower,
I'm sure I can't, can You?
Oh, who can make a flower,
No one but God, 'tis true."

Mrs. C. H. Shepherd, Mrs. C. E. Myers, and Miss Woodall, first grade teachers, were responsible for this delightful entertainment.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

H. J. Mummaau, president, presided at the business meeting that opened with assembly singing led by Miss Alma Harrell, with Miss Barbara Betts at the piano. A. B. Wilhite, supervising principal, led the group in repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison.

A pre-school round up was announced for Wednesday, May 24, to be held at the city hall May 24 from 12:00 to 2:00 P. M. At this time, the county health doctor and nurse will be here to examine all children, who will be entered in school next year.

Written yearly reports from each officer and standing committee chairmen were heard. Among those of special interest were the one from the welfare membership and lunch room chairmen.

Mrs. Earl H. Ware, membership chairman reported that 483 members were enrolled during the year, an all-time record for the organization.

Mrs. Durrh Martin, welfare chairman, reported three children had been given free lunches at the PTA lunch room, and three bundles of clothing had been distributed during the year. (This report was in decided contrast with the monthly report of Feb.March 1942, when 402 free lunches were served during that one month period, and 49 pieces of clothing were given out). In addition, Mrs. Martin's report also mentioned any medical care necessary for children had been given throughout the year.

Mrs. Milford Dilley, lunch room chairman, gave a detailed report of the lunch room finances, including expenditures and cash sales. The balance in the lunch room treasury as of May 1 was $306.95. (Mrs. Dilley has worked untiringly in the capacity of chairman of the lunch room, and has served many hours in connection with this department.)

The treasurer's report showed a balance to date in the general account of the organization as $1645.33.

**TO PURCHASE PIANO**

The highlight of the business meeting was the announcement that a new Steinway Grand piano was located in Tampa, and could be purchased for the auditorium. A good new piano has been a long felt need, and earlier in the year a committee was appointed to make the selection. The committee is composed of Mr. Wilhite, and three experienced musicians, Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., Mrs. T. J. Ward and Miss Barbara Betts. The committee announced that the piano could be bought for $1400, with an allowance of $400 for the old piano. The members voted unanimously to purchase the piano, and it will be delivered either Saturday or Monday. Many generous friends have previously expressed a willingness to "help out" on the purchase price of the instrument, and no doubt, there will be many others who will wish to give a donation toward the fund. Anyone who will make a contribution, large or small donations will be gratefully received, are asked to contact the piano committee composed of Mrs.

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## Official Vote Is Reported By Canvass Board

### Governor, Senate and Constable Races in Run-off

The county canvassing board met last Friday and made the official canvass of votes cast in the first primary. Absentee ballots made no change in the results.

There will be no run-off in county-wide races. Only contests to interest Avon Park voters in the second primary will be the governor's race between Millard Caldwell and Lex Green, the state senatorial race between Wilbur King and William Cliett, and the constable race between Robert B. Massey and Thomas (Bilm) Wells.

Frank Armistead and Dan Young were scheduled for a run-off for tax collector, but Young withdrew and left the nomination to Armistead.

Ray Selden, a Roosevelt man, was given 1226 votes for presidential elector, as against 694 for his opponent, Holmes Allen.

The official count:

**For United States Senator**

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|---|---|
| Alston Cockrell | 66 |
| Millard B. Conklin | 273 |
| J. Ollie Edmunds | 775 |
| Finley Moore | 179 |
| Claude Pepper | 2004 |

**For Governor**

| | |
|---|---|
| J. Edwin (Ed) Baker | 191 |
| Millard Caldwell | 693 |
| Ernest R. Graham | 978 |
| Lex Green | 979 |
| Raymond Sheldon | 307 |
| Frank D. Upchurch | 318 |

**For Attorney General**

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|---|---|
| Ernest F. Householder | 233 |
| E. P. Martin | 831 |
| J. Tom Watson | 1894 |

**For State Comptroller**

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|---|---|
| J. M. Lee | 2726 |
| C. O. Wright | 759 |

**For State Superintendent Public Instruction**

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|---|---|
| Colin English | 2453 |
| Lola Trammell | 463 |

**For Railroad Commissioner**

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|---|---|
| F. D. Akin | 383 |
| W. S. (Babe) Douglass | 1452 |
| Angus Williams | 839 |

**For State Senator Twenty-Seventh District:**

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|---|---|
| William Cliett | 942 |
| A. J. (Al) Dunham | 437 |
| Hugh Gilbert Jones | 366 |
| Wilbur C. King | 121 |

**Judge of County Judge's Court**

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|---|---|
| Howard G. Livingston | 2211 |
| S. Colquitt Pardee | 1193 |

**For Sheriff:**

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|---|---|
| Tom Dimberline | 531 |
| E. G. (Shorty) Long | 783 |
| W. A. Roberts | 446 |
| Doyle Schumacher | 1837 |

**For Tax Collector**

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|---|---|
| Frank (Hotshot) Armistead | 1626 |
| Phillip Correll | 646 |
| Dan G. Young | 1093 |

**For Superintendent of Public Instruction**

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|---|---|
| Jim F. Melton | 1533 |
| Fred Wild | 1794 |

**For County Commissioner District No. 2.**

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|---|---|
| Geo. E. Sebring | 643 |
| Arthur J. Tubbs | 708 |

**For County Commissioner District 3**

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|---|---|
| Sol McClelland | 228 |
| Lewis Pollard | 40 |
| R. L. Stokes | 133 |

**For County Commissioner District 4**

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|---|---|
| Claud A. Cass | 68 |
| L. L. Henderson | 58 |
| A. C. McAuley | 150 |
| T. L. Simpson | 76 |

**For Member Board of Public Instruction District 2:**

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|---|---|
| T. V. Conway | 642 |
| J. P. (Dad) Lighthiser | 550 |

**For Constable District 1**

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|---|---|
| R. S. Massey | 490 |
| Wiley Sauls | 271 |
| Thomas Wells | 421 |

**For Justice of the Peace District No. 1:**

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|---|---|
| Troy A. Cox | 561 |
| Alton Elder | 611 |

**For Constable District No. 2:**

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|---|---|
| A. A. Bates | 833 |
| Clyde L. D. Chapman | 87 |
| George W. Collier | 240 |
| Myles Collier | 43 |
| Thomas E. Wilson | 58 |
| Hudson Yarbrough | 341 |

**For Justice of the Peace District No. 2:**

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|---|---|
| W. L. Long | 1016 |
| F. M. Young | 480 |

**Approval of Special Act fixing salary of members of school board at $800:**

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| For Adoption of the Act | 1012 |
| Against Adoption of the Act | 968 |

**Approval of Special Act fixing salary of members of bond trustees:**

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| For Adoption of the Act | 772 |
| Against Adoption of the Act | 1130 |



SIX STEADY STREAMS—Pictured above are six Base Firemen, Jesse C. Ragsdale, Julius J. Parden, Ernest Johns, Hubert G. Lassiter, Capt C. H. Leighton, Chief William H. McCarthy, Ellis Green. Capt Leighton is post engineer officer in charge of fire department. These men have gone "all out" for the war effort being on the job every day for over a year. Even authorized annual or sick leaves have not been taken. (From High Score)

## Humble Oil Co. to Sink Well in This County

Drilling for oil is expected to start soon on the Carey Carlton estate ranch near Venus, E. D. Pressler, geologist for the Humble Oil and Refining company of Texas announced this week.

The location selected is in the center of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 34, township 38 south, range 29 east, about five miles northwest of Venus station.

The well is the fourth one to be drilled in Florida by the Humble company, an affiliate of Standard Oil company. The Humble company brought in Florida's first producing oil well last Fall at Sunniland in the Everglades and now is working on two other wells, one at Sunniland and one in Dade county.

The number one well at Sunniland in the everglades brought in oil at 11,613 feet and now is producing about 40 barrels per day, according to Herman Gunter, state geologist. Number Two well, spudded in a mile west of the first well, is nearing a depth where oil might be found and traces were discovered at 9,800 feet. Work on the third well, located in Dade county about 40 miles southeast of Sunniland, now is getting started after construction of a costly road to the site.

Gunter said two weeks ago that the Number One well was making about 40 barrels of oil a day with considerable quantities of salt water. The Number Two well, showing traces of oil at 9,800 feet, indicated there should be a better chance for oil and less chance of getting salt water than in the original well.

### Military Funeral For Bert Bassage Held in Sebring

Military funeral services for Bert Bassage, 76 years old, Sebring resident for 22 years, and one of Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders of the Spanish American war, were held at 3 p. m. Friday in Sebring Presbyterian church. Burial was in Pinecrest cemetery.

Mr. Bassage suffered a heart attack Sunday and was taken by ambulance that night to the veterans' hospital in St. Petersburg. He had seemed improved Tuesday, but died at 11:45 o'clock that night.

Survivors are his widow, Trent Blackwood Bassage; his daughter, Charlotte, wife of Capt. J. Pitt Tomlinson of Lake Wales; three grandchildren, Gale, J. Pitt, III, and Ashton King Tomlinson, of Lake Wales; one brother, Winfield Scott Bassage of Seattle and three sisters; Mrs Frank R. Skright and Mrs. Charles Benham of Seattle and Mrs. Herman Roloson of Corning, N. Y.

Mr. Bassage was active in community affairs and always was an advocate of good roads in the county. He farmed at Lake Charlotte and founded the Growers Market in Sebring. He twice was commander of Richmond P. Hobson post of the U. S. W. V.

As chairman of the Democratic county committee, he had an active part in the recent primary campaign and took great pleasure in the nomination of his friend, Senator Claude Pepper. — Sebring News.

### Operetta To Be Presented Friday

The operetta, "Little Red Riding Hood," which was postponed two weeks ago, due to the illness of a member of the cast, will be presented at the high school auditorium at 8:00 o'clock Friday evening, May 19.

## Red Devils Fight Way To Top But Lose in Finals

Avon Park's Red Devils lost the baseball championship of the Ridge Conference in the finals last Friday night, losing to Haines City by the lopsided score of 18-2. But not without a good fight. The Devils defeated Lake Wales 15-3 to advance to the semi-finals, and went on to beat Fort Meade for a chance at the title.

Meanwhile, Haines City, which drew a bye in the first round, beat Sebring 11 to 1 to advance to the finals. Haines City's pitcher, Cook, pitched a one-hit game against Sebring and allowed the Red Devils only five hits in winning the final game.

Avon Park had five men chosen on the All-conference nine, the highest number of any team in the conference. Haines City placed four; Sebring, three; Fort Meade, two; Auburndale, one. Red Devils named on the mythical nine were: Freddie Mondeaux, who pitched a 3-hit game against Lake Wales; Arthur Carratt and Jimmy Philpot, infielders; and Frank Camp and J. C. Walker, outfielders.

Avon Park boys who took part in the games were: Billy Walker and George Nader, catchers; J. C. Walker and Freddie Montadeoca, pitchers; Arthur Carratt, 1-base; Gene Clark, and Bobby Keller, 2-base and outfield; Jimmie Philpot, short stop; Sonny Hagan, 3-base; Frank Camp, Bill Thompson, Arthur Powell, and Roland Dilley, outfield.

## Keeping On The Go With The USO

By Dorothy Crahan

"All good things must come to an end" — and so it is with us. The ole club won't seem the same without Mr. Dobson around. I guess you know he is leaving Monday for Gainesville. Miss Barry has been in Miami for the past few days taking a well earned rest. She will be in charge of the club until a new Director arrives.

I think one of the reasons we have so many players at Bingo on Sunday night is the cakes and cookies they know will be waiting for them when they are through. You ladies who are providing the tasty baked goods are doing a wonderful job. These service people really appreciate it too. They and also the staff of this operation, send "Many thanks."

Your local girls who aren't attending the regular Tuesday night dance don't know what you're missing. Just try it once and I'll predict that you will be here every Tuesday night henceforth. We really have a good time. The floor is nice and Harry Newell's Rangers can't be beat.

Come around Wednesday night at 8:30 and see Jack Benny as the "Meanest Man in the World." He takes candy from a baby, puts old ladies out in the street and laughs at them, he — but, then, I won't tell you all about it. I'll just let you come and see it for yourself.

### George Bachelors Have Leased Palm Restaurant

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Bachelor announce that they have recently leased the Palm Restaurant, corner north Lake avenue and Main street. Mr. Bachelor is a member of a pioneer family in Pasco county, and formerly made his home in Dade City, county seat. He has more recently been connected with General Motors in Detroit, Michigan.

## Bahamians Are Available For Citrus Labor

### But May Ask For War Prisoners Camp Next Year

Bahamian workers in any number are now available for Highlands county, and will be sent in as soon as living quarters can be provided, according to a report of J. Paul Garber, chairman of a committee of citrus men investigating possibilities of supplying additional labor to move the crop, and cultivate the groves this summer.

Mr. Garber and Harold Worden attended a meeting Wednesday night in Lake Wales of citrus packing house operators. They represented the Highlands county group, and met with other citrus men and representatives of the War Manpower Commission and the Florida Extension Service, and L. H. Kramer, chairman of the Florida WFA Wage Board.

Garber reported that new contracts are now being accepted for use of Bahamian workers for citrus growers and assure their service until June 15th, 1944. In other words, the new contracts provide for immediate use of the workers until June 15th 1944. By June 15th they hope to have an allotment of Bahamian workers that can be assigned to Highlands County for the summer months.

Growers who are interested in securing Bahamian workers at once, should get in touch with Mr. E. F. DeBusk, State Supervisor, Emergency Farm Labor Program, Gainesville, Garber said.

Garber said he found that the War Manpower Commission has charge of War Prisoners used in canning plants and packing houses, and the Florida Extension Service, Gainesville, has charge of War prisoners and Bahamians who are classified as Agricultiur laborers (pickers, grove labor).

In his report to Highlands Citrus men, Garber further stated:

"There is nothing definite about how many, if any, Bahamians can be assigned to citrus growers next season and for this reason those who attended the meeting believe Highlands County citrus packing houses and operators and packing houses around Lake Wales should make early application for a War Prisoner Labor Camp of 250 prisoners for each locality, stating that they will be needed next October for season 1944-45.

"The operator has to furnish the site and see that electric current and water supply is available at the site. The operator pays for moving the equipment, tents to camp site and setting them up. The War Manpower Commission representative stated from past experience it would cost around $7,000.00 to set the camp up for operation, which expense would be paid by operators who will use the labor. After camp is in operation, operators only expense will be current and water bills each month. We could ask for 125 prisoners from the War Manpower Commission for work in packing houses and canning plant and 125 prisoners from the Extension Service for work in the groves.

"It seems advisable that we put in this application for a War Prisoner Labor Camp for next season, but continue our efforts to have Bahamian workers available. Think this over and we will have a meeting within a few days and decide what to do."

### Tom Dobson, USO Director Leaves For Gainesville

Tom Dobson, local USO Director since last July, has been granted an indefinite leave of absence by USO Headquarters to rest and assume his Insurance Business in Gainesville. Mr. Dobson appreciates the fine cooperation which he has received during his stay here and extends his thanks to the many volunteers and people of the community for their wonderful help.

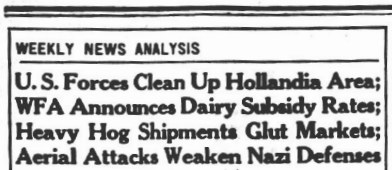
Mr. Dobson, during the time that he has made Avon Park his home, has made scores of friends, not only among the service men in the community, but among civilians as well. His weekly column, "On the Go With The USO" has been a valued contribution to The Sun. Miss Dorothy Crahan, USO secretary, is continuing the popular column.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

# U. S. Forces Clean Up Hollandia Area; WFA Announces Dairy Subsidy Rates; Heavy Hog Shipments Glut Markets; Aerial Attacks Weaken Nazi Defenses

(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.)

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Italy—Italian farmers are shown clearing vineyards of small volcanic stone fragments spewn by belching Mount Vesuvius.

## EUROPE:
### *Invasion Awaited*

With huge concentrations of shipping reportedly massed in British ports and the Allied aerial attacks continuing in unprecedented force, Nazi Europe nervously awaited the historic and heralded invasion.

While the U. S. and British prepared for hostilities in the west, the Russians were reportedly organizing strength for a new drive into eastern Poland, presumably to synchronize with the invasion. As the Russians gathered their new forces, the Axis armies in southeastern Rumania stiffened resistance and parried Red thrusts along the Dniester river front.

Western Europe found no rest by day or night as British and American heavy, medium and light bombers smashed at the Germans' vaunted concrete and steel Atlantic wall, French and Belgian rail lines over which the enemy could be expected to shuttle troops to meet invasion forces, and German industries supplying the wehrmacht.

## AGRICULTURE:
### *Hog Glut*

In the wake of the government's move to buy all corn in 125 midwestern counties for sorely pressed processing industries, heavy hog shipments clogged slaughtering centers, resulting in embargoes in some centers, notably St. Louis, Mo., and Peoria, Ill.

The large shipments were believed also influenced by short feed supplies after two years of extensive use of grain for fattening record numbers of stock, and the government's plan for a minimum price of $12.50 per hundredweight for this fall.

Taking note of the dwindling feed stocks, OPA announced that effective May 15, the ceiling price on hogs over 240 pounds would be cut to $14 per hundredweight, to discourage heavy finishing off.

### *Dairy Subsidy*

To encourage conservation of grains during the pasture season to provide for heavier feed during the fall and winter months, the War Food administration announced subsidy payment rates for dairy production for the next 11 months.

Although rates during the next four months will range from 35 to 65 cents a hundred pounds for whole milk and 6 cents a pound for butterfat, beginning September 1 and ending next March 31, rates will range between 60 to 90 cents for whole milk and 10 cents for butterfat.

Estimated to cost between $300,000,000 and $400,000,000 annually, the whole program is dependent upon congressional appropriations for administrative expenses, WFA said.

## RATIONING:
### *More Butter*

Because of record stocks in warehouses and freezers, 35,000,000 pounds of country butter will be available for civilian use in May at 8 red points per pound, along with 112,000,000 pounds of creamery butter at 12 points.

At the same time, OPA announced that more and better ice cream will be produced in May and June, following permission to manufacturers to increase output to 75 per cent of 1941 figures, and to use a mix 1 to 3 per cent richer in butterfat content.

In addition, reductions in point values are scheduled for flank beefsteak, lamb and mutton, variety cuts of pork and veal, dried beef, potted and dried meats, and sausages.

## FLOODS:
### *Field Work Halted*

Floods and heavy rain sweeping the country retarded field work and rail shipments alike, in addition to causing extensive property damage and loss of life.

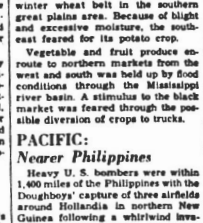
In the middlewest, farm work was as much as three weeks behind schedule, with only half the oats sown in Iowa, and much of that acreage planned to be diverted to corn and soybeans in Illinois. Warm, sunny weather was needed in the winter wheat belt in the southern great plains area. Because of blight and excessive moisture, the southeast feared for its potato crop.

Vegetable and fruit produce enroute to northern markets from the west and south was held up by flood conditions through the Mississippi river basin. A stimulus to the black market was feared through the possible diversion of crops to trucks.

## PACIFIC:
### *Nearer Philippines*

Heavy U. S. bombers were within 1,400 miles of the Philippines with the Doughboys' capture of three airfields around Hollandia in northern New Guinea following a whirlwind invasion, which Gen. Douglas MacArthur claimed sealed off 140,000 Japs.

Reinforced by additional troops, British naval and native units in eastern India braced for a showdown struggle with invading Japs, aiming for the Bengal-Assam railroad supply-




ing Lieut. Gen. Joseph Stilwell's Allied forces, clearing a path for a new communication line to China through northern Burma.

Encountering light resistance, U. S. forces cleaned up Hollandia in record time, extending Allied air and naval control far up the New Guinea coast and threatening the enemy's supply lines feeding bottled troops all the way down to the Solomons to the east. Hollandia's fall also placed General MacArthur one step closer to realization of his vow to return to the Philippines.

## SURPLUS GOODS:
### *Disposal Planned*

With government sale of surplus war materials already running at a rate of $12,000,000 a month, federal officials were reported to have agreed upon a plan for entrusting future large scale disposal of such goods to five agencies and 12 business experts.

Under the plan, the War Food administration would handle food; the treasury buyers, textiles; the Reconstruction Finance corporation, land and factories; the Maritime commission, ships and related materials; and the war department, munitions.

The business advisors would counsel on how the various surplus goods should be distributed, but each agency would be asked to formulate its own policy of sale through negotiation, auction or advertising.

## DUCKS:
### *Population Up*

With mallards most numerous, the duck population now approximates 125,000,000, according to figures of Frederick C. Lincoln, chief of migratory birds investigation of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service.

Mallards now make up 35,000,000 to 40,000,000 of the duck population, Lincoln said, with pintails second with 20,000,000, and bluebills third with 15,000,000. Marked increases also were noted for red-headed ducks and coots and mudhens.

Because of the continuing decrease of woodcocks, however, it has been indicated that the season may be closed on them next fall, along with the Jacksnipes.

## BUSINESS:
### *Oil Supply*

Because a tremendous area of prospective oil territory remains to be tested and petroleum could be produced from enormous reserves of coal and shale, the U. S. need have no undue concern over future oil supplies, Edward G. Seubert, president of Standard Oil company of Indiana, told stockholders in the course of a report on the firm's business in 1943, showing profit of $50,591,371.

At the same time, President Ralph W. Gallagher of Standard Oil company of New Jersey, in announcing profits of $121,327,773 for 1943, told shareholders that although the U. S. was assured of sufficient oil in the future, two principal problems existed, namely, discovery of more oil, and institution of sound, worldwide conservation policies to prevent wastage in production.

## MAIL ORDER:
### *Legal Battle*

Ground was laid for one of the U. S.'s most historic legal battles when the government forcibly took over Montgomery Ward and company's big Chicago plant following its refusal to accept a presidential order to obey a War Labor board's directive to extend a contract with the CIO's Mail Order, Warehouse and Retail employees Local 20 until the union's bargaining rights could be determined.



Sewell Avery

Claiming that the WLB had no supervision over Ward's because it cannot be classed as a war plant, Ward's 69-year-old President Sewell Avery stuck to his guns to the last, finally being carried from the plant by U. S. troops when refusing to recognize the government's occupancy.



W. C. Taylor

As both sides squared for a court battle, Undersecretary of Commerce Wayne Chatfield Taylor took over operation of the plant, lacking cooperation from some Ward officials standing loyally beside Avery.

## CIVILIAN GOODS:
### *Increase Opposed*

While congressional leaders pressed for an increase in output of civilian goods in view of a surplus of certain materials and cancellation of some war contracts, government officials cautioned against any considerable boost in production over present levels.

War Production Czar Donald Nelson said military output must be increased in the immediate future and maintained at high peaks until actual needs for operations in western Europe are established.

Undersecretary of War Robert Patterson opposed any notable switch to civilian production on the grounds that it would create unfounded optimism and lead to a rush from war plants to obtain jobs in consumer goods industries.

## QUEBEC:
### *Overseas Service*

Paced by Nationalist Member Rene Chaloult who declared that any fighting forces should be furnished by the U. S., Britain, China and Russia because only they stand to gain anything from the war, the Quebec provincial legislature cast a 55 to 4 vote expressing disapproval of any move to send Canadian conscripts overseas.

Said Chaloult: "Conscription for military service in Canada was instituted because there was supposed to be danger of invasion. If federal authorities were sincere at the time, they should abolish it now since there is no more danger of an invasion of Canada."

The legislature acted after the Canadian national defense minister declared draftees could be used overseas if appropriate measures were taken by the government.

## 'IRON RATIONS'

American and British troops in India will eat a new and perhaps tastier meal when in tight spots. These emergency meals, packed in large cans, are informally known as "iron" rations.

The condensed food is packed in a can sufficient for eight men for one day, and consists of corned mutton, "vitamised" crackers, tea, jam, chocolate, chewing gum, salt, sugar, grapefruit juice (for Americans) and lemonade powder (for British troops). Cigarettes are included.

# The American Farm Family Is Now Enjoying the Conveniences and Benefits of Prepaid Hospital Care Through Blue Cross Hospital Service Plans

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON
Released by Western Newspaper Union.



Sis is visited by Mother and Dad, Blue Cross hospital plan subscribers.

THIS is the story of "the fastest growing movement in the country"—one that is adding to the health and peace of mind of millions of Americans. Seven years ago there were fewer than 600,000 of those Americans. Today there are more than 14,000,000 — more than one-tenth of our whole population —and it's likely that by the end of the year that number will have risen to 18,000,000.

This movement is group hospital insurance which, under the stimulation of wartime conditions, has become a $100,000,000 a year business. And, as the result of the Blue Cross Hospital Service plan, sponsored by the American Hospital association, Mr. John Q. Citizen, one of these 14,000,000, has the assurance that, should illness or accident make hospital care necessary for him or some member of his family, his pocketbook will not be suddenly and devastatingly depleted. And the peace of mind which comes from the assurance of that fact has been purchased by John Q. at an average cost of less than five cents a day!

However, the significant fact about this story for readers of this newspaper is that the group hospital service plan has spread to the rural areas of the nation and is rapidly becoming as common as it has been in metropolitan centers. Of course, it has always been true that farmers and members of their families get sick or have accidents just as do factory workers. The same is true of employees of business firms in villages and small towns. In fact, both classes need help and often are less able to pay hospital bills than are the middle class or low-income groups in the big cities. So there was quite as much reason for their having the benefit of low-cost planned and "prepaid" hospital care as for their city cousins having it. The principal reason why they didn't get it sooner lay in certain factors which are the very heart of the planned hospital care idea. Of those factors the word "group" is the key.

First of all, enrollment of members in such a plan has to be through groups and these groups have to be large enough so that, as in any insurance of this one type, their members are "good risks." With the population so scattered in rural areas, it seemed that it would be almost impossible either to enroll people or to make collections from them. It seemed also that groups would be so small and so few that every subscriber would be in effect an "individual" subscriber, hence a hazardous risk. Then, too, it was believed that the people of rural America, especially farmers, are set-up individualists and independent thinkers that they could not be enrolled in hospitalization groups large enough to be self-sustaining.

### Comes the 'Blue Cross.'

For these, and other, reasons the earliest plans for hospital care were concentrated in the big cities where large industries, whose employees were numbered by the thousands, offered the best opportunity for handling such insurance on a group basis. Then came the organization of the Hospital Service Plan commission of the American Hospital association to sponsor the "Blue Cross" movement. "Blue Cross" is a general term which identifies the 77 group plans for hospital care which meet the standards of community service, professional sponsorship, non-profit organization and financial solvency and which have been approved by the American Hospital association.

Not only did the Blue Cross movement expand the planned hospital care idea in the cities but it was chiefly responsible for its "moving out into the country." It spread to the smaller cities and towns first and then out to the farms. It's true that farmers are "independent thinkers" but, as one of the pioneer workers in the rural field has stated, they are also "shrewd buyers and are quick to take to something once its value has been proved." So now farmers are being enrolled through banks, with which they do business and which are willing to cooperate, through their farm bureaus, their granges, their farmers' unions, cooperatives, creameries, and other well-organized farmer-business associations.

In the cities, workers who are buying hospital protection pay for it by payroll deduction. Farmers, who enroll through banks, authorize those institutions to make periodic deductions from their checking or savings accounts to pay the required fees. Where they enroll through creameries or cooperatives, periodic deductions are made from their cream or grain checks and those who enroll through the grange, farm bureau or farmers' union pay their fees on a quarterly, semiannual or annual basis, mostly the latter two.

### How the Plan Works.

Although there are 77 different group plans for hospital care and they differ from each other in some minor details, here is the essential method of their operation: The hospitals in a certain region—city, county or state—guarantee hospital service to Blue Cross subscribers, whether they are members of groups in factories, city offices, educational institutions, clubs, union organizations or farm groups, who have agreed to pay a certain amount for this service at regular intervals. This amount varies somewhat according to the group plan. Membership costs from $7.20 to $10.20 a year for one person and from $15 to $24 a year for the member and his family, including his wife and all unmarried children under the age of 18. In Minnesota, where the pioneering work in farm enrollment was done, there is a plan which offers a man complete coverage for himself and 50 per cent discounts for his wife and children at $12 a year, plus $3 for each adult dependent.

In return for these payments the insured, or member of his family, who has to go to a hospital gets a semi-private room, his meals, general nursing, anesthetics, special diets, dressings, laboratory tests, X-rays and operating room charges. (This does not include, however, the physician's or surgeon's fees.) He can enter any of the country's approved, registered hospitals, that is those hospitals recognized as meeting the standards of the American Medical association or state and local societies.

If for any reason one of these hospitals can't take him in because of lack of room, some of the plans pay back double the year's premium, but many of them provide cash payments for home care equivalent to the amount that the hospital care would have been worth. However, there have been very few instances when a Blue Cross member couldn't get into a hospital because the number of these institutions which participate in the plan is 2,500 with 80 per cent of the bed capacity of all the hospitals in the United States open to the public.

Reference has been made to the pioneering work done in Minnesota in rural enrollment in hospital plans. It began in 1938 under the auspices of the farm bureau in Hennepin county with 42 family contracts for a total service coverage of 90 persons. Since then farm bureau memberships in that state have increased to 6,300 contracts with 22,400 persons covered by hospital care. These, in 355 local units in 61 counties, have found the plan highly successful and satisfactory. There are 97 counties in the state and a total of 1,200 farm bureau units so that three-fourths of all the counties in Minnesota now have units enrolled in the Blue Cross and more than one-fourth of the units are already protecting themselves against sudden hospitalization costs.

From Minnesota farm bureau sponsorship of prepaid hospital care has spread to other states notably Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and Oklahoma, until now there are 18 in which farm bureau federation members may take advantage of Blue Cross plans through their unit groups. In December, 1942, the American Farm bureau at its annual meeting in Chicago wrote into its nationwide program of work a strong indorsement of the non-profit group hospital care plans and other rural health developments that lend themselves to farm family unit action.

However, the farm bureau is not the only agency through which the hospital plan is being carried to the farms of the nation. In Hillsdale county, Mich., the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance company, a cooperative, was used as the already-established group through which to put the hospital plan into operation.

In northern Illinois, the Northern Illinois Hospital service, serving 11 counties and their small towns, ranging in population from 300 to 1,500, have worked in co-operation with Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions clubs, with women's clubs, PTAs, Veterans of Foreign Wars posts and churches, farm bureaus, home bureaus and granges. As a result in these 11 counties more than 4,500 farm families, representing 13,500 individuals are Blue Cross members.

### Combined Business Groups.

In North Carolina a great many of the small groups in the small towns are enrolled as combined business groups. This type of enrollment means combining many small businesses into a group, getting 75 per cent or more of the employes in these various small concerns to become members of the Blue Cross. In some of these combined groups, as many as 800 persons join. These groups consist of drug stores, grocery stores, warehouses etc. The FSA has also been active in cooperating with the Blue Cross plans in North Carolina and other states in bringing prepaid hospital care to low income families.

Indicative of the way in which small town and rural America is enlisting under the Blue Cross banner are these facts taken at random from many examples. In one Iowa town of 982 population, 645 or 75 per cent have enrolled in a hospital care plan and in another town of 4,605, a total of 2,214 or 50 per cent have joined. In one Wisconsin community the local power company acts as agent for selling and promoting and the people of the community who have enrolled pay for this insurance along with their monthly electric bills. This town has a population of 1,000 and out of a possible 450 persons employed in the town, 155 have enrolled, there being 105 family contracts and 41 individual contracts.

Such instances could be multiplied indefinitely. From all of which it is evident that rural America is indeed "shrewd buyers and quick to take to something once its value has been proved." As for proving its value, ask the Blue Cross member in New York state who was recently hospitalized for 53 days. His contract covered him for 23 days of one contract year and 30 days of the next year, a total of 53 days. His total hospital bill was $300.58. When he was ready to be discharged from the hospital, he was handed a hospital service credit of $300.58. That meant he had to pay in cash to the hospital only $12.20.

"It's a thrill that comes once in a lifetime," he said. And then, quite naturally, he added, "I think hospital service is a great idea."

## Membership Grows From 500,000 to 14 Million in Seven Years

Protection of Americans and their families against the costs of hospital care was extended to more than 13,000,000 persons in 1943, when 2,000,000 additional participants in the United States and Canada elected to enroll in Blue Cross Plans.

This figure is exclusive of 750,000 suspended contracts held by subscribers in the armed forces, who may renew protection upon their return to civilian life.

These facts are revealed by C. Rufus Rorem, director of the Hospital Service Plan commission, which co-ordinates the activities and approves the policies of 76 Blue Cross Plans located in 39 states and seven Canadian provinces.

The proportion of family dependents enrolled has steadily increased, from 37 per cent in 1937 to the present 54 per cent, thus indicating a growing desire by commercial, agricultural and industrial employers and employees to protect their wives and children, as well as themselves. Here is the record for the seven years:

| Year | Total Hospitalizations | Sub-scribers | Family Dependents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1937 | 334,746 | 63% | 37% |
| 1938 | 1,304,975 | 62% | 48% |
| 1939 | 2,974,055 | 54% | 46% |
| 1940 | 4,431,772 | 55% | 45% |
| 1941 | 6,940,522 | 51% | 49% |
| 1942 | 8,450,388 | 48% | 52% |
| 1943 | 10,488,880 | 47% | 53% |
| 1944 | 12,000,000 | 46% | 54% |

## Male Brush Turkey Builds 3-Ton Nest; Hatches Eggs

The brush turkey of Australia frequently builds a nest which weighs as much as three tons. It is the cock bird that undertakes the construction of this colossal structure, which is formed of leaves and branches and may measure 12 feet across by 6 feet high.

The depositing of the eggs must naturally devolve upon the female, but, having once played her part, she leaves their incubation to her hard-worked spouse, who periodically takes the temperature of the interior of the nest. In so doing, the bird uses his bare neck as a thermometer, subsequently adding or removing debris as circumstances dictate.


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## HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

**KNOX DIES:** Secretary of Navy since 1940 during which time the fleet became the greatest in the world with a strength of over 4,000 ships and 28,000 planes, Frank Knox succumbed to a heart attack in Washington, D. C., at 70. Knox served with the 153rd artillery during last war. Noted as a newspaper publisher, Knox was the Republican vice presidential candidate in 1936

**BASEBALL VETERAN:** Tony Mullane, oldest major league baseball star, died in Chicago at 85. He first played with the St. Louis Browns and later went to the Cincinnati Reds as their star pitcher. He ended his career in 1897 with the St. Paul club. Another claim to fame was that he was said to be the only pitcher who could throw with either hand.

# Washington Digest

## Swine Industry-Develops Feed Conservation Plan

### C. D. Carpenter Helps Hog Growers Solve Problems; Program Tailored by Cooperative Business Men of Agriculture.



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When I learned that a former feed man had been the moving spirit in drawing up the present swine program which you'll be hearing about shortly, I recalled an adage I once heard in London:

"The profit in the mustard business is in the mustard you leave on your plate."

That was the statement once made by a famous British mustard manufacturer. In other words, the consumer's waste is the producer's gain.

The proposition seems logical enough and nobody could blame the mustard-maker for hoping that you and I would be as profligate with our condiment as possible. On that basis, I was recently surprised to learn, that the government had called in a man in the feed business and paid him a dollar a year to help solve the feed problem. I wondered if it wasn't just possible that maybe the consumer were going to suffer.

I had a talk with some members of the department of agriculture after I learned that this gentleman had done so much for the poultry raisers that they picked him to help on the swine program which is so closely connected with the feed problem as the fly is with the flypaper.

"Why should you pick a man whose interest it is to have the farmer consume as much feed as possible, when there isn't enough feed to go around now?" I asked.

"This whole program," the government official told me, "is worked out by the swine industry itself; the men who produce the hogs, the men who process them, help feed them, distribute them. That's the point. The government merely cooperates. You had better talk to Mr. Carpenter."

I did.

### *Dollar a Year*

Clifford D. Carpenter carries the title of "special assistant to the chief of the feed and livestock branch of the food production administration of the War Food administration." For that long title, he gets the short fee of a dollar a year. He has no desire to remain a public servant. He wants to get back to his business. But he is enthusiastic over the present swine program which he and his colleagues of the industry have worked out, a part of which is the conservation, not the waste, of feed.

I asked why, when his business was to sell the farmer as much feed as he could?

"Because," he said, "the success of the feed business lies in having efficient customers, not careless wasters. One of the ways we helped to increase the poultry output was to teach the farmer to stop waste. For instance, you have no idea how much was saved by having the farmer put a rim on the edge of his feed troughs so the chicks would not spill almost as much as they ate, and what saved even more than that was something much simpler—we got the farmer to put feed receptacles three-fourths full instead of brimming."

He went on at some length on this subject, especially emphasizing that the interests of the consumer and the producer are the same in the end and each profits by the other's efficiency—that, he pointed out, is the benefit derived from business in government, one of the good results which many persons feel will come by having businessmen in the many government agencies.

### *Profitable Patriotism*

The whole swine program has been tailored by the "businessmen" of the swine industry and that includes the farmer who raises the hogs, for he is a businessman, too—has to be if he succeeds.

Last month, in Chicago, a group of these men got together, representatives of hog farmers, the breeders, the veterinarians, the packers, the feed men, the equipment manufacturers — everybody interested in the whole cycle from the shoat's first squeal to the dining table.

"It's patriotic to make your herd 'pay-raise'" was the slogan this group worked out which was a sentence with a two-way kick—you can turn it around and it is just as true—"it's profitable to make a patriotic herd."

These experts decided that there was plenty of feed obtainable in America to meet the war goals, provided that certain conditions are carried out. They agreed on four principles, all of which lead to making efficient producers which they all decided to be both patriotic and profitable. These principles are:

### *Specific Measures*

(1) better breeding to improve the size and quality of litters

(2) conservation of available feed stock

(3) reduction of loss through disease and parasites

(4) improved management for greater efficiency and production.

More specifically, the five things necessary to produce the feed which is necessary to reach the animal feed stuff goals are these:

(1) to feed no more than 14 pounds of feedstuff for one animal unit

(2) to achieve the maximum use of pasture and grazing land

(3) to sell no animal for meat, before it becomes an inefficient converter of feed into food

(4) to stop the loss caused by rats or spoilage or wastage in other ways

(5) to bring about a higher standard in health in animals.

### *True Cooperation*

Those who are directly concerned in the production of swine are about to have the information that this meeting developed placed before them emphatically in the farm trade papers, over the radio, in lectures, from the county agents, and through their own organizations, so I won't go into it in detail. But the point that many will not realize is that here has been a real achievement brought about by the cooperation of industry and government.

These hardhearted businessmen have produced a program which their action committee is going to do its best to put into effect through the various means of publicity and education which I mentioned. It was unanimously agreed that the producers should plan to finish hogs at 200 to 240 pounds in order to make more efficient use of the feed and for the production of more meat and less lard per unit of feed. They also emphasize the need of taking full advantage of clean pastures and they point out that the saving of from 5 per cent to 10 per cent of the grain, and from 30 per cent to 40 per cent of the protein supplement can thus be made for growing and fattening hogs. There are recommendations for the control of diseases, parasites and various other detailed instructions that are going to be available in attractive printed form and distributed to the hog producers in all parts of the country.

And it isn't Uncle Sam who is "telling 'em."

They are telling each other for each other's benefit.

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### *Manpower Needs*

While everybody is talking about demobilization, it seems strange that mobilization in many fields is still far from being complete. There are crying needs for man and woman power in two phases of the war effort of pressing serious trouble.

The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, which is the federal government's experimental and scientific research organization, needs 1,500 men. Without this complement, the NACA director of personnel says "the development and production of new and improved aircraft is being hampered."

The need is localized—in laboratories at Langley Field, Va., Moffett Field, Calif., and Cleveland, Ohio. Engineers, physicists, chemists, machinists, toolmakers, sheet metal workers, instrument makers, engine mechanics, electricians, pattern makers and other skilled tradesmen are needed.

At the same time, the National Women's Advisory committee of the War Manpower commission reports that the women's corps of the various armed services are falling far short of their enlistment quotas and many thousands of women also are needed in areas of labor shortage. The committee is urging women's organizations throughout the country to undertake the recruitment job as a major war effort.

# Demand for Fish Swells Ranks Of Anglers Throughout U. S. A.

### Addicts of Rod and Reel Save Their Red Points While Having Fun.

The housewife who in other years wasn't always eager to see her husband "go fishing" too frequently, has a different slant on it these days. Now she is quite anxious to see hubby haul out the fishing equipment and sally forth in hope of making a sucker of the finny tribe. In fact they encourage the man of the house to undertake such expeditions.

One doesn't have to look any further than the ration book to discover the reason. With meat scarce housewives who have to stretch the family points have depended greatly on fish to provide a major portion of the household table fare.

Thus fish has become a favorite American food. And Americans in greater numbers have flocked to become disciples of the art of Isaac Walton . . . and better fishermen.

The demand for fish—all kinds of fish—is so great that the professional fleets in the fishing industry cannot keep up with it. The professional fisherman cannot catch all the fish the public demands. As a result thousands of Americans are going fishing themselves, not just as a sporting adventure, but for the very practical purpose of putting fresh food on their tables during these days of meat shortages.

Fishing, of course, is still fun. But the amateur fisherman takes it seriously nowadays. He is more interested in catching big, edible fish than in matching wits with the small "sporty" varieties. Most people who go fishing today are primarily interested in food.

Consequently, our amateur fishermen are paying close attention to the tricks of the trade. They study magazines and read books to learn what fishing equipment to buy and how to use it. And they learn rapidly where the different kipds of fish are biting and the best kind of bait to use. And also the different ways fish can be cooked once they are caught.

A rather striking note in the increasing ranks of fishermen is that the people of inland America are getting to be better fish connoisseurs than residents of the salt-water coasts. In great fishing ports like Boston and New York tradition has a firm hold. In those places the conviction runs that the old standbys like cod, haddock and mackerel are the only fish worth eating.

But in the Middle West, where there has been a sharp scarcity of fish of all kinds until now, consumers have an open mind about fish. They are just as eager to try a new kind as they are the old. This furnishes a great "experimental" market for the fisheries.

And the fish has been glamorized, too. Canned and frozen fish are being promoted by chain groceries throughout the nation. People sample them out of curiosity and to save ration points. And recent polls have indicated that "new" varieties are an excellent substitute for meat.

Careful conservation and scientific stocking of streams by the department of the interior during the past years is now paying dividends. And wives have a major household problem solved for them when hubby takes tackle and goes out to bring home the bacon, or fish.

## Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE



For the wide mouth with heavy lips, paint on your lipstick with the line of the tips. Carry out the color to the corner of the mouth, but lightly, don't emphasize. If you really have a tiny mouth—a real Cupid's Bow—play it down. The tiny mouth isn't "smart" now. Widen the lower lip a trifle and extend your lipstick a little beyond the natural outlines. A brush will help you do this.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## Nifty Nimrod



Men are doing a great deal more fishing than in the days when there were no ration books. But the gals are in there too and seem to be doing better than all right. Florence Clark of Weldon, N. C., is shown here with a fine string of the edible variety of the finny tribe. Could you blame a fish for hooking right onto the line of this attractive angler?

# The Egg Is the Thing



Doing more than their part to alleviate the egg surplus Gloria Tylor, 14 (left), and her sister Jeannette, 13, are fed eggs for breakfast, luncheon and dinner by their mother, Mrs. Stanley Tylor of Chicago. She feeds her family half a case of eggs a week. Gloria weighs a comfortable 130 pounds and Jeannette 199. The eggs are given the credit.

# "GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

### MORE JITTERBUG JOOLERY

**Powder puff faces are still number one on the Jitterbug joolery hit parade. How about introducing these newer ideas? They're bound to make the other kids sit up and take notice —and copy!**

**BEAT THE DRUM** — You can make a miniature drum out of an empty spool by cutting disc of red cotton fabric or felt just a little bigger than the top and bottom of the spool. Cover each end with these discs and sew with red thread from top to bottom to give the effect of the crossed cords on a drum. Paint two tooth picks with red nail polish and stick through the stitches. Mount on a pin and wear anywhere that you have room for a gadget gem.



**RICE RIOT**—Cut a two-inch circle in cardboard or plywood. Cover with glue and sprinkle with uncooked rice that has been colored with paint, food coloring, or nail polish. Apply several layers of the rice in different colors with fresh glue between each layer. Coat with shellac or colorless nail polish for a glossy finish. Mount on a pin in back and wear it on your sweaters. How about making several of these Rice Riots in two-color combinations that repeat your favorite sweater and skirt contrasts?

**SPOOL JOOLS**—You can make a darling Chinese gadget face out of an empty spool. Here's what you do. Paint the spool yellow with black rims around top and bottom. Draw in a Chinese face with black ink. Make a black yarn queue and stick it into the hole on top of the spool. Mount a pin on the back with adhesive tape. You can make an Indian face, too, by painting the spool red and sticking little feathers in the top hole.

**FINE COMB**—Old combs are wonderful gadget material. Break off the teeth; prick holes in the top of each with a hot needle; string into a necklace. Pretty if you combine several colors.

**RINGS ON YOUR FINGERS**—Tiny salt spoons twisted around your fingers make keen rings. And, try stringing tiny beads on thin wire with a large button or bead in the center for a really impressive ring.

**GLOBAL GADGET**—Sketch a map of North and South America on one side of a ping pong ball. Color the continents with red nail polish. Pierce the top and bottom and insert a red toothpick for an axis. Attach a pin in back and wear on your sweater—or in your hat.

### FRANKLY SPEAKING

**HAPPY ENDING** — Instead of signing their letters "Sincerely" the gals are ending with "SINATRALLY YOURS." Take a letter, darling.

**TITLE TRICK** — Decorate your plain white note paper with the names of Sinatra's most popular song hits, written in colored ink all around the paper as a border. Start with "Night and Day," of course, and don't forget "This Love of Mine," "All or Nothing at All," "The Song Is You." Well, seems to me I've heard those songs before.

**PICTURE PINS**—Sinatra fans are wearing lapel pins made of a polished piece of wood on which a picture of Frank is pasted and shellacked.

### *TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—*

*If the boys seem a bit shy and backward, organize a Saturday night "Lonely Hearts" club with your best gal friends. Instead of sitting home on date-less Saturday nights with a silent telephone for company, get together with the other "Lonely Hearts" at one girl's house. Somehow or other the news will get around school, and, before you know it, any boy who's a "Goose on the Loose" (a boy without a date) will be dropping in and you will no longer be a "Gander on the Meander" (girl without a date). You'll have to change the name of "Lonely Hearts" to "Victory Belles"!*

## What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT



If you want to be invited back, don't eject your opinions into family matters. Pretend you don't hear these family discussions because to be drawn into them is unpleasant.

Your hostess may try to get your opinion about the 18-year-old daughter coming home at 4 a. m.—but if you are clever you will keep your opinion to yourself.

A hostess should be aware of how to avoid unpleasant situations, arguments, unwanted pets and the like while there are guests in the house. The ideal hostess does all she can to make her guests comfortable and the ideal guest is considerate as a visitor—as she is in her own home as a hostess.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

## The Rambling Rhymster

By LES PLETTNER

### The Kid and the Cat

She was a tousled little kid,
With carmine hair that never did
Stay right in place, her face half hid
And charm that went right through you.
A sassy little impish grin



That spoke of mischief deep within,
A roguishness as bright as sin
In face that looked up to you.
And underneath protecting arm
She lugged a cat, kept it from harm.
It looked up with no slight alarm
And eyes not one bit dagg'ry.
We said, "What is this pussy's name
By what has it been known to fame?"
And quick as light the answer came,
"My name for him is 'Bagry!' "
We caught ourselves a-wondering
Just how 'twould be when this young thing
Grew up and wore a wedding ring.
The thought was rather stagg'ry.
Just what would she her youngsters call,
When they were helpless, weak and small—
Before they grew up, straight and tall—
Would it be names like "Bagry?"

### Then and Now

"I often think," said Uncle Ben,
"Of ways of people now and then.
I mind, when I was young, forsooth,
Back in those palmy days of youth
When people came to call and see
The balance of the family.
They sat around in serried row
Afraid lest mirth and joy should show.
They sat upon their dignity,
And talked with solemn gravity.
They spoke with air conventional—
Sepulchral and funereal.
They dared not let their faces slack,
For fear a smile might split and crack.
While if I made the slightest noise,
In manner of such little boys,
They put me in my place so quick—
The very thought now makes me sick.
But in these times, I'm glad to state,
They do not sit up stiff and straight,
But loll in comfort and in ease,
And talk like gay and merry breeze.
Forgotten is their dignity—
They laugh in genial jollity.
For happiness they make their bids,
Just like a lot of grown-up kids.
Though people praise the good old day,
I'd rather have the modern way!"

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## Phone Poles Sprout

Today's speed of engineering and construction produced a laugh for natives of the island of Martinique, located on the approach to the Panama canal, French West Indies.

Telephone poles, placed along a new mountain highway, were cut and set so rapidly that they took root in the fertile soil and began sprouting branches all the way up the "trunk."


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# BRIEFS . . . by Baukhage

When RCAF ferrying aircraft locate stranded airmen but cannot get to them, a trained pigeon is dropped in a metal waterproof container fastened to a small parachute. The wounded man then sends the pathfinder bird back with a message of their needs and condition, according to the Canadian information bulletin, Weekly Bulletin Looks at Ottawa.

The U. S. army will need 75,000 to 100,000 men monthly to maintain its peak strength of 7,700,000 persons, according to the war department. The navy will need 400,00( additional personnel by September 1 to get the navy, marine corps and coast guard up to peak strength of 3,590,000.

—Buy War Bonds—

## Pet Cat Goes Aloft On Barrage Balloon

LONDON. — Soon after the crew of a barrage balloon in East Anglia sent up a balloon recently, they noticed that Tibs, their pet black cat, was missing.

When the balloon was hauled down later, after being aloft for 21 hours, they found Tibs curled up asleep in a comfortable silken balloon pocket.

## TELEFACT

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## 1,058,000 Discharged From Army Since 1941

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The army reported that 1,058,000 enlisted men were discharged from December 1, 1941, to January 31 of this year. Of the total, 844,000 were given honorable discharges, exclusive of discharges to accept commissions. It included 106,000 men discharged because they were over 38 years of age. The majority of honorable discharges, the army said, were for physical and mental disability.

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### MYTH EXPLODES

Another myth has exploded right in Lex Green's face.

For years Lex has proclaimed himself the "invincible force" — the "immovable object." Just one of his phantom fantasies — a sort of legend that no one could poll more votes than the flowing windsor tie and the wide brimmed hat and Lex.

BUT lo! and behold! The "irresistible" force" is no longer irresistible. The "immovable object" has been moved down into second place. A patriotic statesman has polled more votes than Lex Green in Florida — and Lex is on the run for his political life.

Yes — Millard Caldwell has "topped" the Starke perpetual candidate. No longer is the flowing tie the invincible bulwark. In the "big league" it is Millard Caldwell. He's just big time and all man — the man of the hour, if you please.

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### NO CHANCE — AND HOW!

Among the most ridiculous ghost stories being spread right at this time is the one easiest to dispel — that Millard Caldwell will not support the president in the war effort. It is just typical of the extreme ends to which the opposition is driven.

Yes! we say easiest to dispel — and we say it advisedly.

Because the major difference of opinion between the president and Millard Caldwell developed because Millard wanted to fortify Guam back in 1938 and the president wasn't for it THEN. Millard wanted to stop the shipment of scrap iron and gasoline to Japan in 1938 and the president wasn't ready to put on the embargo. Millard Caldwell wanted to add military training to the Civilian Conservation camp program and the administration wasn't ready for that either. Millard Caldwell wanted to build the biggest navy in the world in 1937 and 1938 but the administration felt the time was not ripe.

NOW that the president and the administration is for all the things that Millard Caldwell advocated back in those days — now that the war has justified the position Florida's then congressman (now the leading candidate for governor) isn't it reasonable that Caldwell will be up there right behind the commander-in-chief with all the might he can throw into the war effort from Florida's capitol hill.

Yep — Millard Caldwell will be one of FDR's strongest supporters in the effort to bring the most boys home the soonest. He surely won't be mad at Roosevelt because the president now believes in everything that Millard Caldwell believed in back in 1938.

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### EASY FOR GRAHAM FOLKS

There is one bright spot in the election result for at least one group of losers — the followers of Miami's stalwart Earnest Graham.

They won't have a hard time finding a camp "after their own heart."

Even Earnest Graham himself pointed the way when he was organizing his campaign and told the editor of this paper and Russell Kay in Miami that the race would be "for" and "against" Lex Green — "and if enough fellows from all over the state got in it they could insure a second primary and then everybody can join up with the man who got into the run off with Lex," said Graham.

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### COVERING LOTS OF TERRITORY.

Politicans cover lots of territory lots of times — and like Mutt and Jeff several years in "Mexico" they cover too much territory. Frequently we never know where the "line" is and when it is crossed.

It is interesting though to see the "boys" spread out at times and wonder and wonder.

For instance Congressman Green, of Starke, speaking in St. Augustine the other night told the folks "you are all my cousins."

Then he went on to announce that his wife was a descendant of Ponce de Leon. That certainly is going a long way back into history for a 1944 campaign issue. Anyway it would seem to make Lex a blueblood of the first calibre — or at least a member of the FFV of Florida.

### ANCHOR YOUR FEET

That's just another way of urging Highlands folks to "keep their feet on the ground" while the boys go ahead and drill for oil down near Venus.

Frankly, we have no doubt that there IS oil underneath Florida.

But it is no game for widows and orphans. It is a wildcatters' racket and the oil men who are putting up real folding money in these test wells admit freely that every well is a gamble of the wildest nature. The real folks aren't trying to lure the life savings of poor folks from their hiding.

If you want to gamble in the oil boom buy yourself some acreage and lease the oil rights to the fellows who are in the know and have the money to lose. Then dry hole or gusher you'll have a piece of dirt for your money.

### THE COLONEL SCORES AGAIN.

Florida's own "Colonel Cloudburst" up in Orlando scores again — this time on Senator McKellar. Discussing liars in general and the senator's opinion of Drew Pearson in particular, the "Colonel" is again Florida's most pungent paragrapher. He ought to be in syndicates.

### INSPECTING JAP FLEET.

Another Jap admiral takes a nose dive into Davy Jones' locker according to the news dispatches and news editors play it up like it was something unusual.

We just wonder what else they could expect.

Where else should a Jap admiral go? After all, these admirals have to inspect the Jap fleet every so often!

## AS OTHER EDITORS SEE IT

### GEOGRAPHY FORGOTTEN —
### A First-Primary Retrospect.

One of the bright spots of the campaign comes from the fact that Florida has apparently forgotten its geographical politics. Southern Florida counties have chosen to select one of two northern Florida men as governor — yet northern Florida counties piled up some handsome votes for a southern Florida candidate. It's an interesting retrospect attaching to the race in the first primary.

With Congressman Lex Green and former Congressman Millard Caldwell both hailing from northern Florida, no one now can raise the geographical issue and, not having to talk about the "all-Florida" phantom, the two candidates can devote themselves to issues of real moment to the state.

What is more, some over-zealous partisans will have to find a new topic to shout about. Nor can they find much in charges of "hoggish" communities, with home towns of both candidates so well represented on the state and federal payroll.

As the Scenic Highlands Sun, in Avon Park, points out, railroad commissioners, state auditors and congressmen—all from Lex Green's home town, Starke — at the same time have helped bury that false issue; even if it hadn't already been buried by the successful regimes of Senator Trammell and Congrasman Drane when both were from Lakeland — and latterly, Trammell and Hardin Peterson.

There have been numerous other instances throughout the years when two or more men from the same city have held high place in government without "hogging" affairs for the home town. So, with such "ghosts" already laid low, we can look forward to more intelligent appeals to the electorate pitched on the high plane already established by Millard Caldwell. — (Punta Gorda Herald).

## Lt. Willis Has Close Call in Mediterranean

The following clipping from the New York Sun of April 28, concerning the crash of a flying Fortress in the sea off Italy, will be of interest here. Lieut. Willis is the husband of Mrs. Effie Lee Williams Willis of this city. Lt. Willis was a cadet at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, graduating with the class of 43 B. He later was stationed at Hendricks Field, Sebring, and has been stationed in Italy for the past year. He writes his wife that he has about completed his missions, and hopes to be home soon. The clipping:

With the Fifteenth Army Air Force, April 28 — The dramatic story of the last mission of the Flying Fortress Wolf Pack, and her end in the windswept waters off the Italian coast, was told today by Lieut. W. M. Bigham, of Oklahoma City, Okla., her bombardier. Also aboard on her last run were Lieut. Robert Willis of 205 West 105 street, New York, and Lieut. Philip I. Cooper, of 505 Howard street and Staff Sergt. Stanley H. Katz of 2211 Avenue L, both in Brooklyn.

Trouble began when the Wolf Pack was over the enemy target, Lieut. Bigham recalled. Lead planes in the second element of the formation that day, the ship was flying at 10,000 feet in bad weather when scores of Messerschmitts attacked from the rear, and at the same time a heavy fire from anti-aircraft batteries was encountered.

The attack came, Lieut. Bigham said, after the crew had decided that all danger of opposition was over for that day and in consequence had removed their parachutes, helmets, and flak suits. But in the twenty-minute encounter the crew accounted for four of the enemy fighters.

By this time the Wolf Pack was in serious difficulties, Lieut Bigham recalled. Two engines were out, the remaining pair were acting badly, and only a tremendous effort on the part of the pilots got her over water. There a crash landing was indicated, and down she went to the storm tossed sea.

"As we plunged into the waves our Fortress seemed to fold up like an accordian, and the whole world seemed to be caving in on us," said Lieut. Bigham. "I remember the great pressure toward the front of the ship, and I saw dimly the rear radio room break off its hinges while various articles came flying at us from the rear.

The crew escaped through the radio hatch, Lieut. Bigham said, and managed to get the two rubber life rafts loose.

One of the rafts was struck by the tail assembly as the Wolf Pack plunged beneath the surface, and from then on till they were rescued the crew watched anxiously as it slowly deflated. It was obvious, Lieut. Bigham said, that the punctured raft would sink, forcing some of the men to hang to the side of the good raft.

"And it wouldn't take long for that cold, angry sea to knock a man out," he added.

Soon, however, the wing lights of a plane were spied, and a distress flare was set up. The plane circled the rafts for half an hour, giving the location to a Britain rescue boat, which picked the men up.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep and sincere appreciation to the many kind friends for their words and messages of sympathy at the time of our recent bereavement. We are also most grateful for the beautiful floral tributes.

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STAR VIEWS




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## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hill have returned to their home in Tolona, Ill., after having spent the season in Avon Park.

Mrs. Julia Baldwin and her sister, Mrs. Louise Salandt left Tuesday for Meridan, Conn., after spending the season at the former's home on Lake Lotela.

Mrs. Ollie Walker and daughter, Mrs. Frances McLeod and her two children are visiting Mrs. Edward Walker at her home in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Chas. Kempton and daughter, Mikel, and twin sons, Bryan and Wayne have returned to their home in Miami, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kempton, and her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sherertz.

Charles Best underwent an emergency tonsillectomy in a Sebring hospital at 11:00 o'clock Tuesday night.

Mrs. J. P. Conner has returned to her home in Tampa, after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. V. C. Hass and other relatives.

Mrs. Max Wild left Tuesday for St. Petersburg to visit her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wild. Mr. Wild is an engineer in the Merchant Marines.

Mrs. Edwin Savely of Nashville, Tenn., spent the past week end with her cousin, Mrs. Ruby Bass, and her aunt, Mrs. Lucy Crumley.

Mrs. Jack Stoll of DeLand visited her mother, Mrs. Annie Palmer here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Farnell and son, Ronny of Tampa are spending Mother's Day here with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Farnell, and with Mrs. Farnell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Wiesh, eyer.

Mrs. Pauline Cruikchank and son, Gayle of Detroit, Mich., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Love at the Connell apartments. Mrs. Cruikshank is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Norris, who have spent the past year in Avon Park, and were former winter visitors.

Mrs. Wm. S. Winnishiek and baby daughter, Sheryl, who have been residing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spatz, left Wednesday for Columbia, S. C., where they will visit Major and Mrs. W. A. Wesley. They will later go to West Reading, Pa., where they will make their home. Captain Winnishiek, pilot on a B-17, stationed in England, has completed his combat missions, and has been transferred to Ireland. He has never seen his seven month old daughter, Sheryl.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Norris, who have spent the past year in Avon Park, will leave Monday for Tarentum, Pa., for the summer. Mrs. Eva Nesbitt, will accompany them to Indiana, Pa., where she will spend the summer. She plans on returning here in the fall.

Mrs. Roger Williams and young son, James Edson of Louisville, Ky., have arrived in Avon Park, for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coen Jr., and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coen. They will be joined here later by Rev. Williams, who is a student at Louisville Seminary. Mrs. Williams was Miss Mary Coen prior to her marriage.

Mrs. R. H. Lawhon returned home Tuesday from Warm Springs, Ga., where she went last Saturday to accompany Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Longbottom and their daughter, Lynn. Eleven year old Lynn, who was stricken a short time ago, was admitted to the Warm Springs Foundation, for treatment. The many friends of the family are gratified to know that the doctors at the Foundation are very hopeful of Lynn's case, and while recovery will take many months, they feel that she will eventually regain her health.

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
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Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Morning worship 10:55 a. m.; Sermon topic: "The Christian Home."

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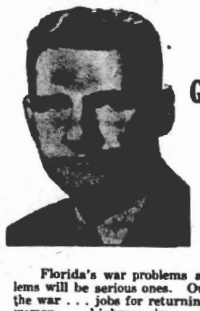

### CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"MORTALS AND IMMORTALS" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, May 14.

The Golden Text is: "As we have borne the image of the earthly, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly" (1 Cor. 15:49.

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!" (Ps. :84, 6, 9).

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