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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. Francis Laflam Wounded

Pfc. Francis A. LaFlam, U. S. Marines, was wounded on Pelelieu in the Palau group, having received a blast concussion, according to word received this week by his mother, Mrs. Chas. DeWitt, from the war department.

Alton LaFlam, coxswain in the Amphibous corps, U. S. Navy is now stationed in the South Pacific. He says "the birds have to wear bullet proof vests and stay in at night."

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First Lieutenant Ike Hart, husband of Mrs. Evelyn Clements Hart, has returned home after 13 months in the CBI theater as a B-25 pilot. He flew 85 combat missions, and has the Distinguished Flying Cross with cluster and the Air Medal with cluster. He joined his wife and baby here and they have gone to Sebring to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Hart. Following his 30 day leave, he will go to Miami for reassignment.

Cpl. Wendell Roberts of Virginia visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Roberts and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roberts last week. He was joined here by his wife and daughter, Mary Lynn of Cincinnatti.

Sgt. Audrey Spencer, instructor in the Woman's Division of the RSAF, stationed in Mountain View, Ontario spent ten days here visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Luxton, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer.

Cpl. Richard Smith arrived this week from Savannah, Illinois to join his family here for a visit at the home of Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Shepherd.

Ensign Nelson Smith, U. S. Navy, who has been stationed at Hollywood, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith here this week. He is leaving this week end for Norfolk, Va., for his new assignment. Mrs. Smith, who with their son, Joey are in Lake Wales with her parents, was in Avon Park with Ensign Smith.

Lieut. E. L. Roberts, with his signal corps group, has been transferred from New Guinea to the Philippines. He writes his wife, Mrs. Anna Roberts that he is well and that the food is good, where he is stationed.

Cpl Jack Foster, gunner on a B-17 with the 15th air force is now stationed at a place in Italy, the exact location, where his brother, T/Sgt. Raleigh Foster was formerly stationed for a number of months before being returned to the U. S.

Lamar Williams, seasman 2/c, U. S. Navy, stationed at the naval air base, Jacksonville, spent last week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Williams. Another son, Pvt. Billy Williams, mechanic with the army air corps at Savannah, Ga., was recently home on furlough.

Sgt. Harry Chadwick, with his infantry outfit overseas for about a month, is now stationed in Italy. He writes he is getting along fine, but the weather is very cold, and there is no place to get warm. His wife and daughter, Barbara are staying here for the duration with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson.

William R. Hood, Johnnie O'Conner and George Nader, three Avon Park boys who have been getting their boot training at Bainbridge, Md., were home for a few days this week. They returned for further assignment. Hood goes to an electrician school and O'Conner was assigned to the armed guard.

Major Stephens Likes Avon Park

Major Joseph Stephens, an observer with the army air corps in Australia, writes friends that he hopes to come back to Avon Park after the war and locate here. He was formerly in charge of shop and athletic coach at Avon Park high school. His wife and daughter, Anne are residing in Bartow for the duration.

Error Noted in Mailing Christmas Seals

Through an error in mailing the Tuberculosis Seals, this week, only one sheet was mailed to each address. It has been the custom for years to mail two sheets containing 200 seals, which is $2.00 worth. The Association is very anxious for each person to have the two sheets of seals and to contribute the usual $2.00, so that the fight against tuberculosis may be continued.

Those who have not already sent in their contribution, are requested to go to either the Barnett Bank or the Jacaranda Drug Store, and remit $2.00 and pick up their extra sheet of seals. Those who have already returned their envelope containing one dollar are urged to bring in another dollar bill and get an additional sheet of seals. Everyone is requested to cooperate.

The Woman's Club will hold street sales for the seals the coming week.

ODELL SKIPPER MARRIED

Mrs. W. O. Skipper and son, Joe Keith were in Miami this week to attend the wedding of Odell Skipper to Miss Irene Taylor, which took place Thursday evening in Allapatah Baptist Church. Mr. Keith was his brother's attendant at the wedding. The groom is an aerial engineer with Pan American Airways in Miami, where the couple is making their home.

6th War Bond Drive Rally Saturday Nite

A Sixth War Loan Bond rally will be held in the Mall Saturday night to step up the tempo of the drive, which officially opened November 20, it was announced today by R. R. Brown, local chairman.

The rally will open at 7 o'clock with selections by the high school band, which will play throughout the program.

Lt. Aaron Druckman, classification officer at APAAF, has been engaged to make the principal address. Col. Dan M. Ellis, Commander of Highlands Post, American Legion will be master of ceremonies. Mayor E. A. DeLaney, Wm. Hauptmann and Dr. R. H. Jordan will speak briefly.

T. J. Ward will be in charge of bond sales. He will be assisted by S. F. Longbottom, who with clerks from the bank will be on hand to handle the sales.

CWO. Carl Hoyer has arranged to have a trio of WACs in charge of Pvt. Evie Glauvas to sing on the program. Other members of the trio are Pvt. Teddy Husted and Pvt. Margie Cantas, all of AP AAF.

Chairman Brown announced the appointment of Mayor DeLaney in charge of sales on the Southside. Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Jr., will have charge of stamp sales at the schools, with contests between classes. Others who will assist in the drive are: W. O. Kerr, Jacaranda hotel block; C. O. Locke, business section canvass; L. D. McGiboney, packing houses; Vincent White, colored section.

The senior class of high school will have charge of the house to house canvass, under supervision of A. B. Wilhite and Miss Anderson. A clean up drive will follow by the Boy Scouts, under the direction of Scoutmaster R. E. Maysack. Mrs. R. R. Porterfield will have charge of a booth in the Barnett bank.

Wm. Hauptmann and Dr. R. H. Jordan will handle speaking assignments in the theatre, packing houses and crate mill.

With a quota of $300,000 Avon Park has a long way to go, according to Chairman Brown. The drive is just now getting under way, and full support will be needed to raise the quota.

Funeral Services For Joseph Spencer Held Monday

Joseph Spencer, 82, native of Canada, who has been making his home here with his daughter, Mrs. James Luxton for the past year, passed away Saturday at a Sebring hospital, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the chapel of Stephenson Funeral Home, with the Rev. E. S. Hedgebeth, pastor of the Union Congregational Church, officiating. Interment was in Bougainvillae cemetery beside the remains of his late wife, who passed away two years ago.

Active casketbearers were T. P. Turner, J. L. Collins, E. E. Sheumaker, P. J. Lavis, E. F. Armstrong, and Robt. Bovard. Honorary bearers were Chas. Barnett, Horace Bryant, Wm Hauptmann, E. A. Brodie, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Lloyd and J. C. Starrett.

Mr. Spencer was born Jan. 19 1862 in Cajuga, Canada. He later moved to Stratford and had been coming to Avon Park for the past 19 years to spend the winter season. He came here about a year ago to be with his daughter and two sons, Ernest and J. E. Spencer. He was a member of the United Church of Canada; past president of the Veterans of Canadian National Railway; a Shriner and a thirty-second degree mason. He had made scores of friends in Avon Park, who deeply regret his passing.

Beside the daughter and two sons in Avon Park, he is survived by two other sons, Harvey Spencer, Pontiac, Mich., and Hartley Spencer, Stratford, Ontario, Canada; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Two Car Loads Pure Bred Bulls Imported in County

During the past month C. A. Skipper, I. C. Hart, and John Watson have brought in for use on their cattle ranches a car each of Polled and Horned Pure Bred bulls. All of these men, having been in the cattle business for a number of years, are improving their blood lines in their cattle and are improving their pastures to produce better beef.

These bred sires were selected from two leading herds in Alabama. The Polled Herefords came from the R. E. Lambert herd. The Lamberts also operate one of the largest seed houses in the South. The Horned Herefords were purchased from the Lowe Ranch of Huntsville and were selected out of a large number that were available. The Lowes are large producers of staple farm products and find that cattle fit in nicely with general farming and improve the fertility of the land.

Florida Editors Plant Memorial Tree for Freeman

(BY RUSSELL KAY)

For 65 years, Florida newspaper men and women have gathered in convention to discuss their problems, renew friendships and exchange ideas. For 65 years, successive Necrology committees have retired to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of such members as had been called to their reward since the previous meeting.

Such action has become routine as it is with all organizations. Such resolutions, read in open meeting, are later copied and supplied to the family of the deceased and to the press while record of the action is filed in the dusty archives to be forgotten.

As 65 association presidents before him had done, Owen A. Brice, publisher of the Lake Wales News and 1944 president of the organization, appointed a Necrology committee at the opening of the 65th annual convention held at Silver Springs last week.

During the past twelve months the Florida Press Association lost more outstanding members than at any similar period in its history, including three past presidents, one a past president of the National Editorial Association as well, the wives of two presidents and several others long active in service to the organization and to the communities in which they lived.

Among these was Gilbert Freeman, publisher of the Avon Park Sun, known and loved by people throughout the state because of his long and faithful service in many fields. Possessed of a dynamic personality and boundless energy, he made friends everywhere by being one. His sudden and unexpected passing a few days prior to the annual convention made his loss on this occasion doubly felt by everyone who had known his cordial handshake, his infectious laugh, his bubbling enthusiasm.

Not content to have the momory of Gilbert Freeman confined to the sterotyped action of a Necrology committee and feeling that something more lasting and more fitting could and should be done to preserve his memory, Editor Ed Menninger, publisher of the Stuart News, advanced the suggestion that the association sponsor the planting of a memorial tree to be dedicated with fitting ceremony and identified with a suitable bronze plaque. Himself a collector of rare and beautiful flowering trees, Menninger explained that he had brought with him to the convention such a tree to be so dedicated and advised that should the members approve the plan he would be happy to provide other trees from his gardens and nursery to be dedicated in a like manner to other deceased editors.

Approval of the membership was instantaneous and unanimous and the first memorial tree to be dedicated to a Florida editor was planted in beautiful Silver Springs park, the tree being a native of Arabia known as Oncoba-Spinosa. When in bloom it is covered with a blanket of gorgeous white and gold camellia-like flowers, delicately scented and it produces a large globular, woody shelled edible fruit. The mature tree reaches a height of 25 or more feet while its spread averages 30 feet.

At the close of the afternoon session the 110 editors attending the convention assembled at a location in the beautiful park, especially selected by Ray and Davidson, where State Comptroller Col. Jim Lee, in a voice that was choked with emotion pronounced the following sincere and heartfelt dedication and turned the first spadeful of earth for the planting

"In humble submission to the will of a Divine Providence which has so recently and suddenly called from our midst a faithful member of this organization. A true friend to all mankind and an energetic public servant, we solemnly and reverently plant here this tree as a token of our love and high esteem for the late Gilbert Freeman. May this plant flourish and grow into a great and beautiful tree of its kind and thereby reflect honor and glory to the one in whose name and memory it is this day planted."

It is the plan of the Press Association to similarly dedicate memorial trees honoring the memory of distinguished deceased members in the hope that as they serve to keep alive the treasured memories of those we loved, they will likewise bring joy and pleasure to thousands yet unborn, who in the years to come will enjoy their floral beauty, breathe their fragrance and find rest and peace beneath their sheltering branches.

Four Whites, Two Colored To Camp

White men who will go to Camp Blanding for induction on December 7, as announced by the Highlands County Local Board are: Hardie Bascom Driggers, Lorida; John Henry Carnes, Sebring; Talmadge Lee Horton, Sebring; George Newton Crist, Sebring.

Colored men who will go to Fort Benning, Ga., for induction on December 11, are: Dan Harris, Jr., Palatka; Emanuel Shuler, Jr., Sebring.

Conservation Course To Be Held in County

A course covering Soil and Water Conservation and use is to be offered the landowners of Highlands County according to D. G. Worth, Vocational Agricultural teacher. This course is approved by Mr. Marvin Jones, War Food Administrator and Mr. J. F. Williams, State Director, Food Production and War Training. Assisting agencies in putting on the course include the local Soil Conservation and Extension Service and the AAA.

This course will cover the subjects of Soil and Water Conservation in citrus, vegetable and beef cattle production. The course will be held in localities typical to these various types of production and the instructions and demonstrations will cover the latest findings and best methods developed to date for these crops and this particular locality.

Coming at a time when Soil and Water Conservation has just been made available to all of Highlands County, this course offers an opportunity to those not familiar with the work to become acquainted with how it can be applied to their own farming operations. As several weeks will be required to work up the program, the course will be held some time in January in order not to interfere with the Christmas season.

Due to the fact that this course will necessitate a lot of preparation on the part of several individuals and will not be practical unless a number of farmers attend, it has been decided to first determine how many farmers will attend. For this reason it is suggested that anyone wanting to attend this course immediately write or contact D. G. Worth, Vocational Teacher, Lake Placid or Sebring, Leroy Fortner, Soil Conservation Service, Lake Placid, or V. T. Oxer, County Agent, Sebring.

Funeral Services For J. W. Payne Wednesday

John Williams Payne, 83, of Lake Placid, pioneer resident of Highlands County, and a retired locomotive engineer passed away at the home of his son, John W. Payne Jr., in Avon Park Tuesday, following a month's illness.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, with the pastor, Rev. John E. Daley, assisted by Rev. S. D. Mason, pastor of the Church of Holy Nativity, Pahokee, conducting the services. Mrs. G. B. Hall, organist, played an organ prelude, and Mrs. Claire Wells rendered a special vocal selection. Interment was held in Lake Placid cemetery.

Active casketbearers were O. R. Bleech and L. L. Barwick, Pahokee, Lloyd Zorn, Horace Shackleford, Dave O'conner and James Kelly, Lake Placid.

Honorary bearers were Jack Sims John Pope, Tom Bozeman, E. W. Kelsey, Bascom Alderman, Alexander Blair, Thomas Jackson, John Coleman, C. Crews, L. L. Henderson and Claude Cass, all of Lake Placid.

Mr. Payne was born in Lake City, August 28, 1861. He was married to Miss Mary Emma Fletcher Sept. 17, 1892 in Melrose, Fla. He had been living in Highlands county for the past 40 years, and was a highly respected citizen of the community. He was a member of the Episcopal Church, and one of the first city commissioners of Lake Placid.

Surviving relatives include his widow, Mrs. Mary Emma Payne; two daughters, Mrs. Bob Rutherford, Culloden, Ga., and Mrs. Tyler Jackson, Pahokee; two sons, John W. Payne, Jr., Avon Park and Fletcher Payne, Lake Placid; 11 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

RCAF Sergeant Visits APAAF Base

Sgt. Audrey Spencer of the Royal Canadian Air Force visited Avon Park Army Air Field this week and saw the inside of a Flying Fortress for the first time.

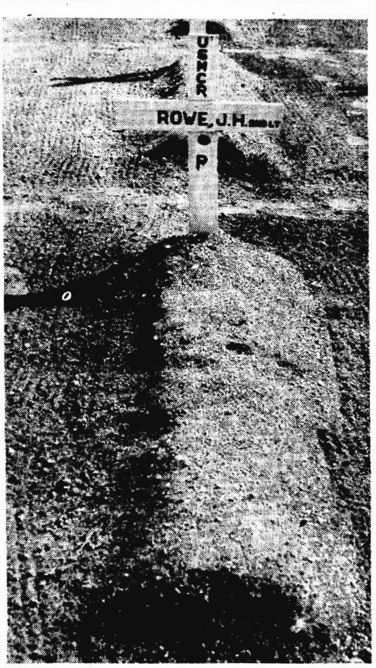
Sgt. Spencer has been honored by the RCAF for developing a new method of repairing parachutes, a method which has been generally adopted. She is now an instructor in aircraft recognition. Duties of Wacs and women in the RCAF are similar, the sergeant believes.

WASTE PAPER NEEDED

There is an urgent need for waste paper for war purposes. People are asked to save all newspapers, magazines and cartons and tie them up in bundles. Arrangements will be made to collect them. Bundles may be left in the Scout Hall, 11 S. Forrest Ave. any time.

AZALEA CULTURE

The Florida Experiment Station has recently released Press Bulletin No 603 on Azalea culture. Copies may be secured from the County Agent's Office in Sebring.



GRAVE ON GUAM

No Flanders field, this. No poppies grow between the crosses, row on row. This bare mound of unfriendly dirt, scooped out of the sand and rock of Guam, has no loving hands to tend it; no wreath to place upon it.

The grave marks the resting place of James Harold Rowe, second lieutenant of Marines, killed in action in the second day's fighting on that lonely spot in the Pacific.

A look at the picture, and you fix in your mind's eye one man's part in this war. You recall the days when he was one of us. Of the leave taking . . . breaking of family ties . . . days of training . . . then New Caledonia, Bougainville, Guadalcanal, Saipan . . . and Guam.

Friend, neighbor, coach, counsellor of youth — he played the game out, as he had always played it, to the last ounce of strength and enthusiasm. His deeds must be an inspiration to the folks at home to give their full support to the war . . . with an honest day's work every day, denial of the things we can do without, saving and investing in war bonds to hasten victory.

For Coach, the "war's made." How is it with you?

(Ed. Note — The picture of Coach Rowe's grave was sent here by John R. Smith, CM 2/c, USN, now serving at Guam.)

Carter To Install New Frozen Food Locker System

W. R. Carter, proprietor of Carter's Groceteria, announced today plans for the installation of a frozen food locker system, and is now taking applications for lockers. Sixty percent of the lockers must be sold in advance before the WPB will release the system, Carter said.

In connection with the system, he will install a chill room, where freshly killed meats, as well as all kinds of vegetables are stored for chilling and proper aging until they are ready for the lockers. A small charge is made for cutting, wrapping and quick-freezing meats and other edibles in preparation for placing them in lockers. Advantages of the lockers are that meats, game, fish, fresh vegetables, etc., can be kept indefinitely.

Carter stated that he plans to build a small annex in the rear of the store to install this new refrigerating service.

Officers' Club Employees Buy War Bonds 100%

Civilian employees of the Officers' Club and Mess at Avon Park Army Air Field have gone "all out" to make the Sixth War Loan Drive a smashing success and to aid APAAF in surpassing its quota.

The 64 employees have chipped in 100 percent and rung the bell to the tune of $4,000 in War Bonds since the drive opened here November 1, Major Edward C. Whiteside, Officers' Club Officer, has announced.

NEW A & P STORE MANAGER

D. Y. Howton of Tampa, new manager of the A & P Grocery arrived Sunday to assume his new duties Monday morning. His wife and young son are here with him. Mrs. Ruby Reynolds will continue as assistant manager. S. G. Patterson, who has been manager of the local store for the past several years, has been transferred to Ft. Myers, where he is in charge of the A & P Super Store there. Mrs. Patterson and two children, Karolyn and Bruce are remaining here temporarily, but will move to Ft. Myers, when they are able to secure a home.

Governor Holland Urges Support of Xmas Seal Sales

Governor Spessard L. Holland has called to the attention of the people of Florida the 38th Annual Christmas Seal Sale. In a Proclamation issued from Tallahassee today, Governor Holland urges the support of the campaign which will provide funds to aid in the protection of the people of Florida from tuberculosis.

WHEREAS, the world conflict in which we are now engaged has altered the lives and habits of people of all nations and caused many millions to be dislocated from their homes and to live under stress and strain, and,

WHEREAS, Stress and strain, crowding and over-work are contributing factors in the development and spread of tuberculosis which is already taking an increased toll in certain parts of the United States due to these war time conditions, and

WHEREAS, Public health officials report that strict adherence to approved control methods and education of the public as to the symptoms and spread of the disease will enable us in Florida to prevent a war-time increase from Tuberculosis;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Spessard L. Holland, by virtue of authority vested in me as Governor, call to the attention of the people of Florida the THIRTY-EIGHTH TUBERCULOSIS SEAL SALE.

Lodwick Story of Chinese Airfields In Dec. 2 Colliers

"China's Handmade Airfields" is the title of an article in the December 2 issue of Collier's magazine, written by Corey Ford in collaboration with Albert I. Lodwick, former owner and operator of Lodwick Aviation Military Academy of Avon Park.

Mr. Lodwick, who is an authority on aviation matters, is now overseas. He has made numerous trips on special missions, where he is gathering first-hand information. His story of the patient, plodding coolies, who built by hand the huge airfield from which B-29 super forts are now taking off on Japanese bombing missions, is an inspiring tribute to the indomnible will and sheer patience of an "ageless nation that cannot be licked."

Sebring Wins Thanksgiving Game 20 to 12

The Sebring Blue Streaks defeated the Red Devils Wednesday night in their annual Thanksgiving Day game by the score of 20-12 before 2500 fans. A great number of fumbles during the game marred the play but kept the record crowd on edge not knowing what was going to happen next.

Sebring scored first on a drive after receiving the ball on the mid field strip. Buddy Wise went over for the score from the six and also kicked the extra point. Avon Park took the kickoff on their twenty on an automatic touchback and went to the Sebring forty-five in five plays. At this point, a well executed and well-timed guard sneak worked to perfection. Coolidge Knowles, Red Devil right guard, was well on his way for a forty-five yard touchdown run before many of the opposing players or spectators knew who had the ball. The try for extra point failed. Throughout the first half the Red Devils stayed on the ground with Walker, Montsdeoca and Edge finding holes in the line for long gains.

Sebring scored again in the third quarter on a sixty one yard drive. Buddy Wise again scored from the six and again kicked the extra point. A forty-five yard pass play from Walker to Hagan put the Devils on the Sebring nineteen, but the Devils were unable to click. Montsdeoca took a Sebring punt on the Sebring forty-five after they were unable to gain and ran it back to the twenty. A pass was ruled complete as a penalty against interference on the nine yard line. A moment later Edward Edge went over from the six for the final Avon Park score. Four plays later Jack Hancock slipped through the Avon Park line and went sixty-three yards for the final score of the game.

A colorful and impressive ceremony marked the halftime intermission. The Sebring and Avon Park bands faced each other on the playing field and County School Superintendent-elect Fred Wild gave a brief address. J. Paul Garber, on behalf of the county school board, named the field Memorial Field. The Avon Park pep squad marched to the front of the Sebring stands and formed a V as the combined bands under the direction of Prof. Gustat of Sebring played the national anthem. Mrs. J. Harold Rowe, wife of former Red Devil coach who was killed in the invasion of Guam, and Mrs. Charles Sherman, mother of Ed herman, former football and basketball star who was killed in a naval plane crash, were the guests of honor. They each were presented beautiful pom pom chrysanthemum corsages.

Sponsors for the game were: Miss Martha Vail McDonald, and Miss Margaret Spivey for Sebring; and Miss Yvonne Head escorted by Billy Hawkins and Miss Barbara Lawhon escorted by Bill Thompson for Avon Park. The young ladies wore tailored blue suits and each carried a sheaf of yellow chrysanthemums.

Game statistics:

	Avon Park	Sebring
First downs	9	11
Net yardage rushing	186	193
Passes attempted	12	17
Passes completed	4	6
Yards gained passing	84	61
Average distance punts from line of scrimmage	18	22
Yards gained run back of kicks	82	54
Fumbles	7	4
Own fumbles recovered	2	1
Opponents fumbles recovered	3	5
Penalties	0	0

Furloughs Out Pending Screening APAAF Personnel

All furloughs and three-day passes have been cancelled at Avon Park Army Air Field pending screening of enlisted personnel.

Each man will be rated according to physical and mental capabilities, Col. Clint T. Johnson, commanding officer, said. It is expected that some of the men will be transferred to the ground forces.

While no date has been set for completion of the screening program, it is believed that Christmas furloughs for those who may be scheduled to get them will be granted.

6th Loan Drive Climbing at APAAF

The Sixth War Loan Drive is bringing gratifying cash sales of war bonds and increased pay allotments for bonds at Avon Park Army Air Field, Captain Henry T. Wingate, war bond officer, said today.

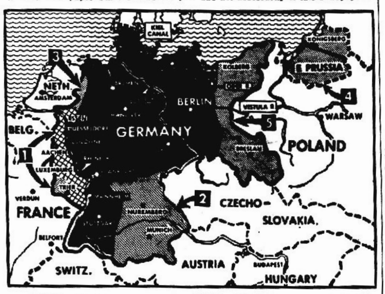
Col. Clint T. Johnson, commanding officer, said in a letter to military and civilian personnel that he is "confident that this drive will be a success and that you will support it to the limit of your ability."

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Big Allied Winter Push Aims At Heart of German Industry; WFA Sets Food Goals for 1945

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

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



With President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Marshal Stalin scheduled to meet soon, there again has been a resumption of discussion as to the future disposition of Germany. On the basis of the latest information, the Reich might well be reduced to half of its 1938 size, with (1) France claiming the area west of the Rhine river; (2) a restored Austria obtaining Bavaria; (3) Holland being compensated for flooded land; (4) the Russians and Poles dividing East Prussia; (5) Poland receiving Pomerania and part of Silesia, and the Breslau area going to Czechoslovakia.

EUROPE:
Big Push

Using their superior forces to prevent the Germans from building up strength for next year, the Allies launched an all-out drive against the enemy's west wall, moving forward toward the vital industrial Ruhr and Rhineland despite wintry weather.

Although they had anticipated a general offensive, the Germans conceded the Allies' superiority, stating that until their vaunted new weapons could be delivered to the front, their troops would have to rely on their spirit to stay in the fight.

As the Allied attack got underway, the British 2nd army striking in southeastern Holland stood only 37 miles from Duisberg; the U. S. 9th hitting to the Tommies' south was 31 miles from Dusseldorf; the U. S. 1st swinging below Aachen was 28 miles from Cologne; the U. S. 3rd working past Metz was 13½ miles from the Saar, and the U. S. 7th and French 1st were 40 miles from Bavaria.

Focal points of the attack centered in the U. S. 9th and 1st army fronts, where swarms of Allied heavy bombers supported by fighter-planes dropped thousands of tons of fragmentation explosives on the enemy's forward positions to smoothen the way for the Yanks' advancing forces.

From debris caused by war, Dutch youngsters in s'Hertogenbosch build their toy castles.

Heavy concentrations of artillery joined in the bombardment of the German positions, then the Yanks moved forward, with members of the infantry slogging alongside of mud-caked tanks to score gains.

Prior to the general offensive, the British in Holland, the Yanks around Metz and the mixed Allied force in the foothills of the Vosges mountains had improved their positions in hard fighting.

The Yanks around Metz engaged in some of the toughest fighting as Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton edged closer to the vital Saar basin, famed for its coal and chemical industry. In slashing forward, U. S. forces ringed the formidable fortress city of Metz.

In writing off Metz, the Germans loudly broadcast that the bastion had largely served its purpose of holding up the U. S. drive to give them time to build up their fortifications farther to the rear.

The Allied attack came off in the midst of a welter of rumors that Heinrich Himmler had taken over absolute charge of the Reich from an ailing Adolf Hitler. Appointed commander of the Reich's home army by Hitler himself, Himmler busied himself trying to shove up German morale for the mighty blows that fell about that nation's unhappy head.

MISCELLANY

The untimely death of Quarterback Allen Shafer of Wisconsin in a game against Iowa was the first collegiate fatality due directly to football since 1940.

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Reflecting high business activity, money in circulation jumped up nearly $600,000,000 dollars in October to a total of $24,386,247,083. Broken down into simple figures, that adds up to $176.10 per person.

PACIFIC:
Bloody Science

Bloody business, war is also a science, and as U. S. troops plodded forward on Leyte island in the Philippines, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's strategy unfolded.

With the enemy's main forces compressed on the northwest corner of Leyte, General MacArthur's tactics pointed to their annihilation by the prized military maneuver of engaging them from the front while sending other units to cut them off in the rear.

Thus did the 24th division move to press the enemy frontally, while the 1st cavalry and 96th divisions pierced the mountain ranges to the southeast in a drive to entrap the Japanese from the rear.

Meanwhile, U. S. airmen kept a close eye on the important port of Ormoc, through which the Japanese had previously sent reinforcements to help their troops holding out against the American advance.

Manila Bay also came under the bombsights of U. S. airmen, with carrier-based craft hitting at this important nerve center of enemy shipping for the entire Philippine area. In one strike alone, 11 Jap cargo vessels and oilers went to the bottom.

WAR WOUNDS:
Greater Recovery

Because of better organized and equipped medical service, sulfa drugs, penicillin, plasma and whole blood available for use in forward areas, less than 4 per cent of Americans wounded in this war die as compared with 7 per cent in the first world conflict.

The full picture of medical advance, however, is best told in the fact that from 50 to 60 per cent of the soldiers wounded in the present war are incapacitated by heavy guns, artillery or mortars, which inflict more serious injury, compared with only about 20 per cent in 1917-'18.

Comparisons between the two world wars show 80 per cent of the wounded now returning to duty as against 70 per cent, and number of infections kept down to 10 per cent as against the old figure of 60 per cent.

FOOD PRODUCTION:
Bumper Harvests

Even as the U. S. department of agriculture forecast bumper grain crops for 1944, the War Food administration announced that its 1945 food production program would remain substantially the same as this year's.

Boosting its estimates of corn production 61,000,000 bushels, the USDA predicted a record 1944 crop of 3,258,000,000 bushels, while standing pat on its previous forecast of an all-time wheat harvest of 1,108,000,000 bushels. Coupled with a record sorghum crop of 160,000,000 bushels, overall grain production, including oats, barley and rye, was set at a top of 157,500,000 tons.

In addition, bumper crops were forecast for cotton, tobacco, potatoes, sweet potatoes, soybeans, apples, peaches, pears and pecans.

Alterations in the WFA's 1945 food program call for an increase in pig, cattle and milk production, but a 16 per cent decrease in egg output closer to the 1935-'39 average.

VETS

According to an interpretation of the War Labor board, veterans returning to their old positions are entitled to any automatic promotions and pay increases on the job.

In considering the selective service act of 1940, requiring employers to take back former employees returning from the armed forces, WLB ruled that the vet must be rehired "at the level to which he would have been entitled if there had been no break in his service with the company. . . ."

CHURCH LOANS:
Aid Homesteading

As a result of a homesteading program financed by the board of national missions of the Presbyterian church, farm families are settling on property purchased on extended terms of 30 years, with down payments deferred from one to three years, if practicable.

In addition to homesteading, funds may be used for the acquisition of forest lands for the benefit of the whole community, or for loans to improve home and farm equipment. Funds also have been utilized for awakening interest in farm ownership through the provisions of general education in proper farming methods and advice in selecting suitable crops.

Under the homesteading program, an application is approved by the pastor and three elders of the church, with the prospective owner agreeing to cultivate the land and raise self-supporting crops. Starting modestly, the program has grown steadily.

Farm Values

Despite increases in the value of farm land since the outbreak of the war, the over-all situation remains spotty, with prices reaching inflationary proportions in some sections while rising to fair figures in others unduly depreciated during depression years.

Considered in all its aspects, farming has risen from a 49 to a 70 billion dollar industry since the war began, with value of land and buildings totalling over 45 billion dollars, crop and livestock inventories over 15 billion dollars, and liquid capital about 12 billion dollars.

Making good use of wartime prosperity, farmers have whittled mortgage debts down nearly a billion dollars since 1939, with the figure now standing at about 5½ billion dollars.

Wonder Show

With America's learned scientists behind the test tubes looking more and more into the substance of matter, wonders may never cease.

Already the list of accomplishments runs high, as evidenced at the National Chemical exposition in the turreted Coliseum in Chicago, Ill., where lightweight and weather resistant plastic magnesium furniture, lawn sprays which kill weeds but spare grass, and women's synthetic clothes were on display.

Spectators milling about the great hall also could see a new method for producing a high mileage gasoline; artificial aromatics for use in soap, cosmetics and perfumes, and a spray for the painless treatment of severe burns.

Scientists explained the processes of electronics — the magical little electric atoms of which 30 billion, billion, billion make an ounce—in the drying of plywood to the welding of thermoplastic materials.

LAND REFORM:
Split Polish Estates

Carrying out its policy of agricultural reform, the Moscow sponsored Polish committee of national liberation divided up 5,000 acres of land owned by Count Alfred Potocki among 1,050 families.

At the same time, the liberation committee announced that it had taken over the Potocki family's Lancut castle, which would be converted into a museum. All together, Count Alfred Potocki, a prominent industrialist said to have fled to Vienna with the Germans, owns 75,000 acres.

In dividing up the Count's estates, the liberation committee was following its avowed policy of redistributing lands operated by great families, with the owners dominating the entire social structure within their districts.

POLITICAL ACTION:
CIO Success

With 110 congressional members elected with the support of the political action committee, the CIO declared that the victory demonstrated the effectiveness of labor's first big organized effort in a campaign.

Whether the PAC would be continued was considered at the CIO convention in Chicago, Ill., where union leaders called for support of their fight for higher wages and demands for industrial, labor and government planning for provision of 60,000,000 postwar jobs.

Declaring that the election of the 110 candidates backed by it assured the presence of an "improved congress" for the next session, the CIO said that its PAC "proved to be the decisive factor because it did the organized, door-to-door work that brings success in a campaign."

The 110 men and women backed by the PAC comprise 96 representatives and 14 senators, coming from 28 states in every section of the country.

Quotes . . .

"If full employment is not achieved under our free enterprise system (after the war) then the people will demand something different. . . . It is clear, I believe, that if we fail we shall pass to some form of planned and regimented economy. We shall lose our economic freedom. We shall become dependent upon government and government expenditures, with continuous deficit financing to support the economy, expand employment and thus sytematically increase national income. . . ."—Chairman Alfred P. Sloan of General Motors.

Army Strives to Take Some Of the Risks Out of Warfare

Soldiers Taught How To Avoid Accidental Injuries in Battle

Ordnance specialists call it "brisance." A layman would call it the shattering power of a detonated explosive. But whatever you call it, it's terrifically dangerous. Controlled brisance kills the enemy. Uncontrolled by rules of safety, it kills and maims Americans.

To speak of safety methods in connection with the grim business of waging war sounds incongruous. Yet the army's ordnance department, its ground forces, its air forces and its service forces have piled up an amazing safety record in time of war.

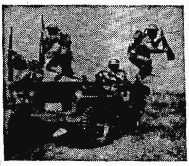
For example, look at the score in the nation's three score government owned, contractor operated explosive producing arsenals under supervision of the U. S. army ordnance department.

In January, 1941, less than 11 million pounds of powder and explosives were produced in the U. S. Three years later, in January, 1944, we produced more than a quarter of a billion pounds of explosives, and during those three years our total production was nearly 6 billion pounds.

Incredible as it may appear, in handling the most powerful explosives known to man, some so sensitive they must be transported under water, others so potent that a small amount penetrates five inches of concrete, it is nevertheless a fact that there were only 255 injuries during 1943 throughout all these installations in America.

Nor is this safety program confined to civilian workers. Our men in uniform have benefited greatly from modern safety methods. No one would describe the job of a soldier on active wartime duty as a "safe" job. Yet, granting that the soldier risks his life constantly in the performance of his duty, the army makes sure that he does not risk it needlessly.

Gun tubes, for example, which must resist high pressures yet must also be light for easy aiming and transportation, are tested with excess pressure rounds before acceptance to insure their safety in the hands of the troops.



A twisted or broken ankle can disable a soldier as effectively as an enemy bullet. American fighting men learn how to jump from a moving vehicle and land without injury. This is only one of the many tricks taught in army training camps.

Now our projectiles are "bore safe." They cannot explode within the gun. Reflecting this confidence in the safety of their weapons, our men are now regarded as the finest marksmen in the world.

Escape Hatches in Tanks.

The combat crew inside a battle tank cannot have and do not expect to have absolute safety. But the army sees to it that within the limits of normal battle hazards they are protected from unnecessary risks.

Tanks are provided with hatches on both the top and bottom surfaces for easy escape, regardless of the position of the tank. New automatic controls reduce driver's fatigue. Seats are cushioned against shock and are provided with safety belts. Padding is placed at many points to avoid dangerous impact shock. Forced ventilation cools the tank interior in summer heat, and drives off toxic gun gases during combat.

Accident prevention, however, in no way impairs the effectiveness of our fighting men, the war department said. A hard-hitting, tough-bodied army continues to be our objective. There are fewer sprained ankles, wrenched knees or sprained backs in our field armies of today because safety training programs have taught men how to jump correctly from relatively great heights with rifles and packs. Men lifting various heavy objects in the field do so without injury because they were taught how during training courses.

Our realistic training methods are actually safety methods. Experience has shown that the average recruit is as frightened by battle noise and battle confusion as he is by bullets. Such a soldier becomes excited, perhaps fires his rifle unintentionally, perhaps kills or wounds his own comrades instead of the enemy. Such a soldier is unsure of himself, nerve - taunt, "jumpy."

On army infiltration courses battle-green soldiers are taught how to crawl across rough terrain, through barbed wire, while machine gun bullets whiz above their heads, and TNT charges explode nearby like enemy land mines. Graduates of these safety-in-battle courses are not likely to suffer needless wounds or needless death. They know that in crawling it is vital to keep the head and body down; that a smart soldier crawls under barbed wire, not over it; that a soldier whose weapon is not clean and ready to function when needed is a soldier most likely to become a casualty.

Mention the word "doughboy" to most persons, and they think of a man with a rifle and a bayonet. That may have been true in previous wars, but it is not true in this one. Safety training and practice in the army ground forces goes a long way beyond this basic rifle-and-bayonet conception of the American foot soldier. Weapon training adds to the soldier's chance of survival by making him versatile with a great many more weapons than his rifle.

Among these are hand and rifle grenades, combat knife, automatic pistol, machine pistol, carbine, automatic rifle, three types of machine guns, two types of mortars, flame thrower, bazooka, mines and booby traps, bangalore torpedo and other demolition equipment. Most probably the individual infantryman will never be called upon to use all these weapons in combat, but he may at any time be called upon suddenly in an emergency to use any one of them. The knowledge and facility gained during training increases powerfully the safety factor protecting the uniformed man in battle.

In addition the army ground forces protects its men in the field by careful instruction in battle and field sanitation, in personal hygiene, in the safe use of drinking water, and in defense against diseases caused by insects and parasites. Even so small a thing as the common foot blister is not ignored in army safety practice.

Fewer Air Corps Accidents.

Equally insistent on the highest possible safety standards in the dangerous business of waging war is the army air forces training command. During the first six months of 1943 a total of 13.4 million military flying hours were logged in continental U. S. During the same period in 1944 the total was 20.1 million. Despite this impressive increase of more than 6,500,000 hours, fatal accidents and death totals were actually reduced.

Furthermore, the improvement is continuing. In July, 1944, the accident rate for training type planes was the lowest yet recorded. During July in the continental U. S. trainees in undergraduate pilots' schools logged an amazing total of flying time in PT-13's, -17's, -18's and -27's, with only one fatal accident!

Graduate pilots operating combat type airplanes in transition schools and in the replacement training units established safety records, too. Pilots in B-17 Flying Fortresses achieved an all-time low in crack-ups. Also in July, 1944, there were only two fatal accidents in the high-speed B-25 Billy Mitchells.

This is not the safety record of a commercial airline, or even a commercial truck fleet, but the safety experience of a giant air force engaged in global war.

The motto of the army has never been "Safety First." In army parlance safety is knowledge. Army airmen achieve safety because they know.

Typical is the procedure for forced landings in water, which includes how to swim through fire, how to handle rubber boats and parachutes, defense against sharks, precautions to take against wind, weather and the hundreds of hazards that confront men adrift in open water. Airmen know how to take every conceivable precaution in case of jungle landings, or any other type of landing which may lead to danger or difficulty.

In war great hazards cannot be avoided, but trained and disciplined men with a knowledge of those hazards, and the "know-how" to avoid or to overcome some of them, have developed one of the greatest organized safety programs of all time.

Many casualties used to be caused by premature explosions of projectiles. Exacting tests of both guns and ammunition have practically eliminated this danger. Shells are now termed "bore safe," meaning that they will not explode within the gun tube before intended.

Antiaircraft guns, like the one pictured, fire very high-powered shells of comparatively small caliber. The gun crews, nevertheless, feel confident that they will not be injured by their own weapon.

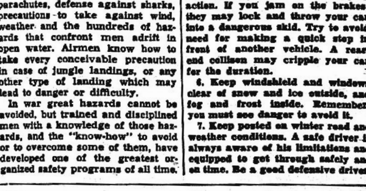
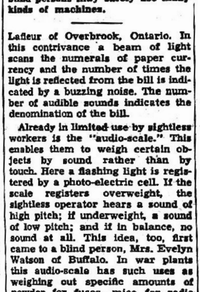


Photo-Cell Enables Blind to Operate Machinery Safely

Important new mechanical devices to simplify life for returning servicemen who have lost their sight and for the upwards of 200,000 civilian blind in the United States are announced by the American Foundation for the Blind.

Chief of these devices, in view of its wide application to the employment of blind people, is a new use for the versatile photo-electric cell. The foundation has adapted the "electric eye" principle to make completely safe the operation by blind people of electric sewing machines in workshops and in their homes. In practice this device puts a safety curtain of light around the rapidly plunging needle. The moment the fingers of the blind operator reach dangerously near the needle's point and come within the light circle, the machine stops in a split second.

Another useful invention which will aid sightless people in business is called the "bill detector." This gadget also utilizes the "electric eye" principle and was first thought of by a sightless Canadian, George A. Lafleur of Overbrook, Ontario. In this contrivance a beam of light scans the numerals of paper currency and the number of times the light is reflected from the bill is indicated by a buzzing noise. The number of audible sounds indicates the denomination of the bill.



The "magic eye," a photo-electric cell, stops the needle of the power sewing machine as soon as the operator's fingers come within the circle of light. With this attachment blind persons may safely use many kinds of machines.

Already in limited use by sightless workers is the "audio-scale." This enables them to weigh certain objects by sound rather than by touch. Here a flashing light is registered by a photo-electric cell. If the scale registers overweight, the sightless operator hears a sound of high pitch; if underweight, a sound of low pitch; and if in balance, no sound at all. This idea, too, first came to a blind person, Mrs. Evelyn Watson of Buffalo. In war plants this audio-scale has such uses as weighing out specific amounts of powder for fuses, mica for radio mechanisms, and uniform buttons.

Winter Driving Hazards Can Be Reduced by Taking A Few Simple Precautions

The following practices, based on National Safety council research, are recommended by the Safe Winter Driving committee to all who must drive this winter:

1. Fill your car to comfortable capacity and go prepared to get through, regardless of snow or ice.

2. Reduce your speed to conform to the conditions of the road—and take no chances.

3. Use tire chains on ice and snow to reduce braking distances as much as 40 or 50 per cent. Chains also provide necessary "go" traction, and uniformity in performance under severe winter road conditions.

4. Follow other vehicles at a safe distance. It takes from 3 to 11 times as long to stop without anti-skid chains when pavements are snowy or icy.

5. Apply brakes on slippery pavements lightly and with a pumping action. If you jam on the brakes, they may lock and throw your car into a dangerous skid. Try to avoid need for making a quick stop in front of another vehicle. A rear-end collison may cripple your car for the duration.

6. Keep windshield and windows clear of snow and ice outside, and fog and frost inside. Remember, you must see danger to avoid it.

7. Keep posted on winter road and weather conditions. A safe driver is always aware of his limitations and equipped to get through safely and on time. Be a good defensive driver.

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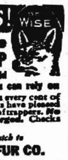

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The Lapierre turkeys are of the giant breed, weighing from 25 to 30 pounds when ready for market. The huge flock eats about 23 tons of feed a week during the fattening period. During the rest of the season, the big, active birds can pick a large part of their food on the grassy range.

More than half of Lapierre's roasters are being shipped overseas to Canadian troops for Christmas dinners. The others are marketed in Canada.

Tommy Lapierre is shown holding a White Holland, one of his prize toms.

Above is Florence Lapierre with a 30-pound Mammoth Bronze specimen that seems to be worried about the future.

Future of Agriculture And Industry Keyed to Our Water Resources

Postwar America's water supply is due to have a profound influence on everything from jobs for returned servicemen to the nation's future economic life, according to a report submitted to the secretary of the interior by the Geological survey.

"In the postwar years information on a national scale concerning the water supply will be a controlling factor in deciding where to locate new factories or relocate old ones," according to the report. "That is true not only with respect to where abundant water may be found but more particularly, in many instances, as regards what kind of water is available. Scarcely any manufacturing enterprise today can succeed with just any kind of water.

"Boilers, steam pipes and all kinds of plumbing fixtures will clog up rapidly and cause disastrous damage to expensive machinery unless the right kind of water is used, or unless it is properly treated.

"The importance of having water of the right quality cannot be overestimated. Our records show, for instance, that two bakeries used exactly the same ingredients in making bread—right down to the last pinch of soda. One made excellent bread and the other went broke. The difference was in the kinds of water used.

"If water of the proper purity is not used it is impossible to make good beer. Canneries dare not use certain kinds of water, or the peas will be hard and unmarketable. Water of unusual purity is required for the manufacture of carbonated beverage, otherwise discoloring sediment develops. If confectioners do not use water with the right kinds of chemical content the candy will get sticky or the pure white fondant soon looks rusty. The processing of wool requires water according to definite chemical specifications for washing; otherwise dyes will not penetrate the fabric uniformly, or fast colors cannot be obtained. Even laundries must have the right kind of water to do a good job on papa's shirts."

Huge Demand for Data.

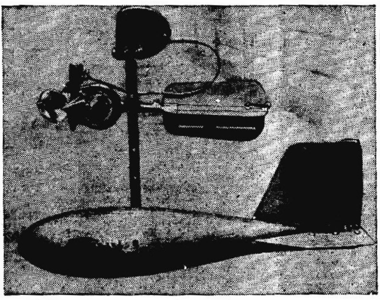
To meet the need for information the water analysis program will have to be enormously increased, the survey believes. Conclusive information on the chemical content of surface water at a given spot, for instance, requires daily analyses over a period of at least a year. It is not enough to examine ground water at one place and assume that it will be the same in surrounding areas. In Houston, Texas, for example, the survey found that the chemical content of five different wells in close proximity to each other varied as much as from 4 to 182 parts per million of soluble minerals.

The stream-gauging program must be greatly enlarged before adequate information about the nation's water resources can be furnished, the report states. Every river has its own story to tell, but constant attention is required to follow its history. A considerable variety of scientific instruments, in the hands of experts who know their business, are used to record the volume, velocity and other pertinent facts.

Irrigation Projects.

Studies of the behavior of streams over long periods are necessary to provide reliable information for the guidance of planners for such projects as hydro-electric plants, irrigation, flood control, bridges, reservoirs, and the like. The extremes of behavior of a river can be known only by keeping constant records over long periods. Knowledge of such extremes pays dividends in the end. Many times in the past, bridges have cost more than necessary to withstand floods that never came, or a large but inadequate investment has been swept away because of unanticipated floods. What a river is likely to do in the future can be judged only by knowing what it has done in the remote past.

The value of such information, gathered over a long period of years, has been abundantly demonstrated during the past decade. Every major power and irrigation project—including TVA, Boulder, Grand Coulee and the rest—has depended entirely upon basic information that has been built up by the Geological survey over the last half century. None of them could have been successfully executed without such information.



This is part of the stream-gauging apparatus used by the Geological survey. The torpedo-shaped sinker, weighing 100 pounds, is lowered into a river by means of a crane and reel. The speed of the spinning cups is transmitted electrically to an operator in the boat above. From this information the swiftness of the stream, the depth and the volume of water can be calculated.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

Put your accent of drama on your very best features! If you have a nice mouth, call attention to it by using the newest, richest lipstick shades. If your eyes are especially attractive, go in for eye-shadow, exquisitely groomed eyebrows. If your ears are lovely, wear brilliant earrings and "up" your hair. Oh yes, accent does the trick!

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

Great Britain Approves Of Travel to France

LONDON. — British businessmen are at liberty to travel to Paris and other parts of liberated France—if they can find accommodations.

The home office announced that most of France had been relinquished from military control and turned over to French authorities thus necessitating only a British exit permit and a French visa to make a trip.

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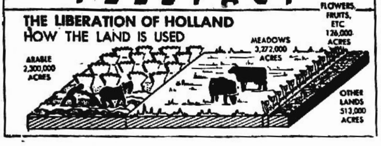


"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

NATURAL NECKLACE

Loose Leaves — We don't mean notebooks, we mean colorful autumn leaves that are blowing your way these days. Dip them in wax and string when cool and hard—wonderful necklace for sweaters. (While we're talking about autumn leaves, lots of girls are giving weenie roasts right now. They invite their guests to come in overalls and with rakes. Instead of dancing, everybody rakes the leaves and then weenies are roasted over the burning leaf fires. Some guests also bring their own weenies—a good point saving idea for the hostess.)

Rings on Your Fingers—Match up your pearl necklace with a pearl ring. Easy to make if you string some pearls from a broken necklace on a small piece of thin wire. Just twist around your finger and—didn't we tell you—you have a pearl ring.

Hat Pins Into Heart Pins — Take any short hat pin (you know, a straight pin with a little knob on the top). Cover the knob with a large heart cut out of two pieces of felt and sewn together. Decorate the heart in beads or sequins. Stick into your lapel like a man's stick pin.

ON SCHEDULE

Your life is so crowded these days that you're apt to forget important things like the next Bob Hope radio program or what sweater your wore yesterday. Put yourself on schedules like these.

Are you Listenin' — Doesn't it make you simmer to hear the kids at school talking about a radio program that you forgot to listen to the night before? It won't happen again if you keep a small calendar right on your radio table with a day-by-day listing of all the programs you want to listen to. Make up your schedule every week from the radio listing in the Sunday newspapers.

Combination Chronology—You can make a limited wardrobe of "separates" seem like a big one if you vary the combinations every day, according to schedule. Get all your sweaters, jackets and skirts together now. List all the combinations you can make with them; then list a different combination for each day in the week on a special fashion calendar. Be sure you follow it every morning.

TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—

'Tenshun! How many of you are in good standing? Or do you droop around with slouched shoulders, sticking out where you should stick in and vice versa? Take a look around you at the WAVES, the WACs, and all the other gals in uniform. Don't they look slick and smart? It's not just the uniform—it's the way they wear it. In one word, chum, it's posture. So, square your shoulders, keep your chin up and your tummy in. After all, you wear a uniform, too—even though it's only a sweater and skirt.

The Rambling Rhymster

By LES PLETTNER

CARPETS

He said, "Of carpets have I heard,
Throughout my lifetime's length.
I've heard much and read fulsome word,
About their looks and strength.
There was the magic carpet
Which performed in days of yore,
And those who had the luck
To hitch a hike on it would soar.
I've heard of carpets Arabic,
And Persian too, Egad . . .
With colors glowing . . . glossy . . . slick . . .
Imported from Bagdad.
These carpets are in my abode,
On which I softly tread.
They are the latest style and mode . . .
Of silken wool and thread.
But of all carpets that I've seen . . .
Of one I stand in awe . . .
The one on which the boss calls me 'n' . . .
Then lays down the law!"

What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT

Question—How is a funeral conducted from the house?

Answer—A house funeral should be very simple, and by its simplicity it is dignified.

The undertaker provides chairs for the friends and relatives who attend, and each person to arrive is met at the door by some representative of the family, and shown to a seat.

A row of chairs should be reserved near the casket for members of the family.

The casket is usually placed on a draped stand at one end of the living room. The space behind and on the sides of the casket is usually banked with flowers. The room may be darkened if desired.

The women of the family enter the room after the clergyman has arrived. They wear hats and veils if they intend to go to the cemetery.

Upon their return from the cemetary the family should find all signs of the funeral removed, shades raised and furniture replaced.

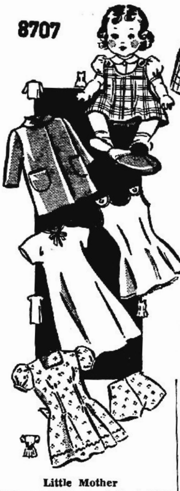
Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

'Black Widow' Called Mighty Night Fighter

LOS ANGELES. — Northrop Aircraft corporation disclosed that its P-61 Black Widow night fighter carries four .50-caliber machine guns in a revolving turret besides 20-mm. cannon. This gives it greater fire power than any other fighter in the world. Not one has been shot down in combat.

SEWING CIRCLE PATTERNS

Doll's Wardrobe a Delightful Gift Shirtwaist Dress Good Standby



Little Mother

AN entire new wardrobe for her doll will delight every little mother. These adorable doll clothes are fun to make and will be a perfect under-the-tree surprise.

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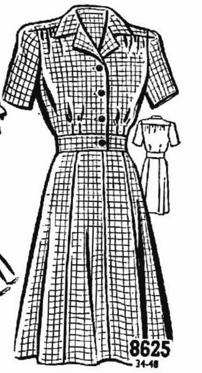
Pattern No. 8707 comes in sizes 12, 16 and 20 inches included. Size 16 inches, dress and pantie, requires ⅝ yard of 35 or 39-inch material; nightie and slip, ¾ yard; coat and beret, ⅜ yard; jumper and blouse ¾ yard.

For this pattern send 25 cents in coins, your name, address and pattern number.



Classic Shirtwaist

FOR smart good looks, the shirtwaist dress is tops. Its trim, well fitting lines make it a standby in every wardrobe. Tucks at shoulder and waist, set-in belt are distinguishing details on this attractive model.

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Pattern No. 8625 comes in sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46 and 48. Size 36, short sleeves, requires 4¼ yards of 39-inch material.

For this pattern send 25 cents in coins, your name, address, pattern number and size wanted.

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.
530 South Wells St. Chicago
Enclose 25 cents in coins for each pattern desired.
Pattern No.................Size......
Name..................................
Address...............................

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Less bacon will be needed to season baked beans if it is run through a food chopper before adding to the beans.

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Leather shoes that are difficult to polish should be rubbed over with a cut lemon. They will shine beautifully afterwards.

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One high-wattage bulb is more economical than several smaller ones. One 100-watt bulb gives 50 per cent more light than four 25-watt bulbs and uses the same amount of current.

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Orange or lemon rind may be grated before squeezing the fruit for juice and dried for later use. After grating, place where it will dry thoroughly and store in a tight container.

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When spiced peaches are opened this winter, be sure to save the juice. It makes delicious basting for broiled or browned sausages.

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To clean stained piano ivories, rub them gently with a paste of fine-powdered whiting and lemon juice, and then wipe them clean with a damp cloth. If the keys are badly stained, repeat the application once a week.

Gems of Thought

THE resolute turning from and forgetting one's ills and one's troubles often is found to be all that is needed to overcome them.

Nae treasures, nor pleasures,
Could make us happy lang;
The heart's aye the part aye,
That makes us right or rang.
—ROBERT BURNS.

Not he who has little, but he who wishes for more, is poor.—Seneca.

Idleness is only the refuge of weak minds and the holiday of fools.—Chesterfield.

Judge not thy friend until thou standest in his place.—Rabbi Hillel.

This Home-Mixed Cough Syrup Is Most Effective

Easily Mixed. Needs No Cooking.

Cough medicines usually contain a large quantity of plain syrup—a good ingredient, but one which you can easily make at home. Take 2 cups of granulated sugar and 1 cup of water, and stir a few moments until dissolved. Or use corn syrup or liquid honey, instead of sugar syrup.

Then get from any druggist 2½ ounces of Pinex, pour it into a pint bottle, and add your syrup. This gives you a full pint of wonderful medicine for coughs due to colds. It makes a real saving because it gives you about four times as much for your money. It never spoils, and tastes fine.

This is actually a surprisingly effective, quick-acting cough relief. Promptly, you feel it taking hold. It loosens the phlegm, soothes the irritated membranes and makes breathing easy. You've never seen anything better for prompt and pleasing results.

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Tastes Great Anytime!
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• Kellogg's Corn Flakes bring you nearly all the protective food elements of the whole grain declared essential to human nutrition.

Personals

Mrs. A. O. Kinsey is visiting relatives in Gainesville and other points in North Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Culler of Sarasota spent last Saturday here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts.

Miss Mary Carratt has returned home from an extensive visit with relatives and friends in Philadelphia, Pa., and Webster, Conn.

Mrs. G. W. Oliver and daughter, Mrs. Alice Sherman are spending the Thanksgiving holidays with relatives in Orlando.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Roberts of St. Petersburg were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roberts last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Napier of Nashville, Tenn., are the house guests of the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Kenney.

Miss Peggy Mandis, student at Rollins College, Winter Park, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Demos Mandis.

Mrs. Emma Pagel and Mrs. Lena Kean of Detroit, Mich., have arrived in Avon Park for the season and are located in the trailer park.

Misses Lou Jean and Pat Crum of Weirsdale, who formerly resided in Avon Park, are guests for the week end of Misses Barbara and Margaret Lawhon.

Mrs. C. D. Noland has returned home from Fort Lauderdale where she had been visiting her son, Forrest Noland and family.

Mrs. Glenn Leverette of Hollywood returned home Saturday, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Dyer.

Miss Ruth Norton arrived Wed- from New Orleans to visit her sister, Mrs. J. A. Johnson and family, through the holidays.

Misses Winifred Demorest and Ruth Pendleton, students at Stetson University, Deland are home for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mrs. E. T. Austin of Orange Park was the recent guest of her daughter-in-law Mrs. Harold Rowe, She was accompanied home by her little granddaughter, little Miss Camille Rowe, who is spending some time with her grandmother and family.

Mrs. Alice Sherman and her mother, Mrs. G. W. Oliver entertained as their guests for the week end, Mr. and Mrs. John Segraves, Miss Mary Jane Seagraves, Mrs. E. B. Wojtunik and Mrs. Harold Sullivan, all of Orlando.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Murray and two daughters, Kitty and Joan of Washington, D. C., are spending two weeks here. Mr. Murray is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Murray and is a brother of Mrs. L. H. Brodie, Avon Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beeler are leaving over the week end for Glen Elder, Kansas, where they will spend the holidays. They have rented their home to Col. and Mrs. Clint T. Johnson.

Mrs. W. F. Dye and daughters, Misses Betty and Marilyn, Miss Margaret Lawhon, and Mrs. Chas. O. Locke and daughter, Miss Mae Porter Locke spent last Saturday in Bradenton.

Mrs. Lusby Rawlings, who has been the guest of Captain Rawlings' mother, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings and his sister, Mrs. Otto Foster and family for the past three weeks is returning to her home in Columbus, Ga. this week end. Her mother, Mrs. Flannigan arrived Thursday for a short visit and accompanied her daughter to Columbus.

Mrs. W. S. Rawlings and Mrs. Lusby Rawlings spent Sunday in Bartow as guests of Mrs. Virginia Cloud, formerly of Avon Park and her sister, Miss Frances Hargrove.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spatz were in Sanford Friday evening to attend the football game between the Bolles School, Jacksonville and Sanford high. Their son, Cadet Rickey Spatz is a member of the Bolles School football squadron.

ATTEND WEDDING FRIDAY NIGHT

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends in Avon Park last week end to attend the McGiboney-Padgett wedding were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Padgett, Mrs. Edgar Holmes and son, Charles, Mrs. H. C. McGiboney and daughter, Miss Lorine McGiboney of Quitman, Ga.; Miss Pearl Ryals and Miss Edna Yearty, Jacksonville; S/Sgt. and Mrs. Joel C. Padgett and Mrs. Heard Edwards, Ft. Myers; Lieut. Odell Carlton, Tampa; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Carlton, Miss Golda Carlton, Mrs. Luke Finley, Mrs. Dale Carlton, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cochran, Wauchula; Mrs. Willard Smith, Williston; Miss Virginia Moore, Clearwater; Miss Rhoda Lane, Largo; Mrs. Frank Bates, Miss Anna Eudora Bates and Miss Margaret Baker, Vero Beach; Miss Jean Ann Harris and Miss Anna Beth Skipper, Miami; Miss Martha McCord, Winter Park; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crews and Miss Virginia Lee Crews, Lake Placid.

NOTICE
HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA

November 29, 1944

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 9, Chapter 18296, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1937, known as the Murphy Act, the following described land in Highlands County, Florida, will be offered for sale at public outcry for the highest and best bid, subject to the right of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to reject any and all bids, at the Court House beginning at 11:00 o'clock A. M. on the 1st day of January, 1945. Easement for road right-of-way 200 feet wide will be reserved from any parcel through which there is an existing State Road and as to land in composite tracts of 10 acres or more, title to one-half of all petroleum, and three-fourths of other minerals will be reserved.

Description: Government Lots 9 and 13, in Section 18, Township 35 South, Range 29 East, containing 63½ Acres.

Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida.
(SEAL) By H. T. PIETY
Agent Trustees of the I. I. Board Highlands County.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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Church Notes

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. E. H. Puryear, 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, Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.
Saturday Servicemen Fellowship hour 9:00 P. M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Paul D. Murphy, Minister
Sunday Services:
Bible study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching and Communion 11:00 A. M.
Young People's meeting 7:00 P. M.
Preaching service 8:00 P. M.

The public has a cordial invitation to attend any or all of these services.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Dr. C. A. Murphy, Lakeland District Superintendent will preach Sunday morning in the First Methodist Church. The service will begin with an organ prelude at 10:55. Dr. Murphy will use as his subject, "The Church Marches On." A solo, "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes," by Eville, will be sung by Mrs. B. R. Grote.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Church School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Sermon topic: Christianity and Tradition.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

W. Main St.
Rev. V. C. Mulkin, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
Sermon 11:00 A. M.
Young People's Service 7:15 P. M.
Evangelistic Service 7:15 P. M.

A most cordial welcome to all to attend. Special welcome to service men and their wives.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

M. E. Myer, Pastor
Church School 9:45 A. M.
Mr. Earl Ware, Supt.

Morning Worship, 10:55. Dr. O. A. Murphy, D. S. Guest preacher.

Evening Worship, 8:00. Communion Service. Communion Meditations by the pastor.

Senior and Intermediate Fellowships 7:15 P. M.

The Womans Friendship Class will hold their Monthly Business and Annual Christmas Party Monday night at 6:30 in The Hut.

The Regular Board of Stewards meeting will be held in the Church Monday night at 8:00. The Board of Trustees is asked to meet with the Board of Stewards.

Choir practice for Christmas will be held Tuesday and Wednesday nights of this week.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday nights at 7:30.

The Annual Sub-District Youth Fellowship Banquet will be held in the First Methodist Church in Wauchula on Thursday night, Dec. 7th. For reservations see Miss Edith Hayes, Supt. of the Youth Division of the local church or Miss Mary Elizabeth Hall, President of the local Senior Youth Fellowship.

The Lakeland District Conference will be held in The First Methodist Church, Lakeland, Friday, December 8th. beginning 9 A. M. The District Missionary Institute will be held the same evening at 7:30. Dr. A. Kriss Jensen, long-time Missionary to Korea and Miss Ruth Lawrence, for several months in a German Interment Camp, will speak.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"GOD THE ONLY CAUSE AND CREATOR" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist throughout the world on Sunday, December 3.

The Golden Text is: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world (Acts 15:18).

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: "This word beginning is employed to signify the only,—that is, the eternal verity and unity of God and man, including the universe. The creative Principle — Life, Truth, and Love — is God. The universe reflects God. There is but one creator and one creation. This creation consists of the unfolding of spiritual ideas and their identities, which are embraced in the infinite Mind and forever reflected. These ideas range from the infinitesimal to infinity, and the highest ideas are the sons and daughters of God" (p. 502:24-5).

Keeping On The Go With The USO

There was a lot of interest in our bingo game last Sunday night. The long distance telephone call was given as one of the prizes, and in addition to this the war stamp book will be added next Sunday.

With the shipment of shells and craft supplies, our lounge is filled to overflowing almost every day with craft workers. Mrs. Helen Shiebout is giving very generously of her time to this program, and, by the way, Mrs. Shiebout promises to cut silhouettes of babies next Tuesday for any mother wanting to see her pride and joy in silhouette form.

We hope the weather will be just right next Thursday, December 7, for our back yard weiner roast. All the hot dog eaters should really get their fill and have a lot of fun around the burning embers of a cordial fire.

Our Thanksgiving Dinner was a grand success . . . far beyond our expectations, and we want to thank sincerely Mrs. E. L. Leighton, Mrs. Paul Rumpsa, Mrs. Marjorie Church and Mrs. W. L. Schmidt for their kindness in roasting the Thanksgiving birds for the occasion. Our senior hostesses for the evening, Mrs. H. W. Harden, Mrs. Paul Rumpsa, Mrs. B. F. Camp, and Mrs. B. H. Hagen, did a wonderful job in serving the delicious victuals. The beautiful decorations in the lounge, where the dinner was served, was made possible through the courtesy of the Mitchell Florists of Sebring.

Our deepest thanks go to the following donors of tasty home-baked cakes for our Sunday night coffee and cake program: Mesdames D. G. Perry, Raymond Dilley, Jack Head, H. R. Currie, C. R. Ginn, Parke Anderson, Charles Kenny, Ernest Armstrong, C. Shepherd, M. Whitcomb, Harriet Stodden, Earl Hartt, J. H. Hood, Paul Garber and Miss Daisy Smith.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathetic understanding during the illness and at the time of the passing of our loved one. We also deeply appreciate the many beautiful floral tributes.

The family of Joseph Spencer

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

C. Parke Anderson and Beatrice Anderson, his wife, J. Paul Garber and Elizabeth Garber, his wife,
Plaintiffs,
Vs.
Emma Boraff and A. Boraff, her husband,
Scenic Highlands Development Company and Citrus Groves and Byproducts Company, et al,
Defendants.

NOTICE TO APPEAR

Notice is hereby given to Scenic Highlands Development Company and Citrus Groves and Byproducts Company, dissolved corporations, and all parties claiming interests by, through, under or against said corporations, Emma Boraff and A. Boraff, her husband, David C. Haines and Murlie L. Haines, his wife, L. L. Bean and Adeline Bean, his wife, R. O. Meek and Nellie A. Meek, his wife, H. P. McCurdy and A. L. McCurdy, his wife, and all parties claiming interests by, through, under or against the above named defendants, and to all persons, known or unknown, having an interest in the following described property located in Highlands County, Florida, to wit:

Tracts numbers 23, 39, 40, 55, 56, 71, 72, 87 and a ½ undivided interest in 88, Section 5, 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. Parke Anderson and Beatrice Anderson, his wife, and J. Paul Garber and Elizabeth Garber, his wife, for the purpose of quieting title to the above described property, and said suit is now pending in said Court and you, and each of you, and all parties in interest, are required hereby to file with the Clerk of said Court your written appearance, personally or by attorney, in said suit on the first Monday in December, A. D., 1944, being the fourth day of said month and a legal Rule Day, and thereafter to file with said Clerk your written defenses, if any you have, to the bill of complaint at the time prescribed by law, or decree will be entered against you and each of you, by default, and the cause will thereafter proceed ex parte.

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

Witness my hand and the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, this 3rd day of November, A. D., 1944.

H. T. PIETY,
Clerk Circuit Court,
(SEAL) By HELEN DESHONG
Deputy Clerk,
MATTIE W. TOMPKINS
Attorney for Plaintiffs
Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, Dec. 1.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Jas. C. Haines, 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. 1562
Year of Issuance 1936
Description of Property NE¼ of Section 14, Township 29 South, Range 29 East, 160 Acres.
Name in which assessed Annie L. Hathaway.

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 January, 1945, which is the 1st day of January, 1945.

Dated this 1st day of December 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of
(SEAL) Highlands County, Florida.
By HELEN S. PECK,
D. C.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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

In re Estate of
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that on the 30th day of December A. D. 1944, I shall apply to the Honorable Thos A. McNicholas, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for a final discharge as Executrix of the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington deceased. My final report and application for final discharge are now on file in the office of said Judge..

Dated Dec. 1st, A. D. 1944.

BEULAH E. SAPPINGTON
Administratrix
S COLQUITT PARDEE,
Solicitor for Executor
Betts Bldg.
Avon Park, Fla.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA

IN RE: ESTATE OF
GEORGE A. WARREN,
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL CREDITORS AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified to file all claims and demands which you have against the estate of George A. Warren, deceased, in the office of T. A. McNicholas, County Judge, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from December 1st, 1944, which is the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing, must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, must be sworn to and must be filed as aforesaid, or else same will become void.

THE WASHINGTON LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY
By W. H. BADEN, Vice-President, As Executor of the Last Will and Testament of George A. Warren Deceased.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.
JUDSON & WILLSON
Attorneys-at-Law
Bartow, Florida.

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(cut Courtesy Lakeland Ledger)

MRS. JEROME P. ELLIS

MISS ISAETTA COLES TALLEY BRIDE OF LT. JEROME P. ELLIS

The wedding of Miss Isaetta Coles Talley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Coles Talley of 1918 Siminole trail, Lakeland to Lt. Jerome P. Ellis, army air corps, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Daniel Maynard Ellis of Avon Park, took place at All Saints' Episcopal church last evening at 6 o'clock, in the presence of hundreds of friends.

The ceremony was performed by the rector, the Rev. William F. Moses.

White chrysanthemums, gladioli and bride's roses were arranged on the altar, which was banked with palms. Two seven-branch candelabra held cathedral tapers and single standards holding candles were intermingled in the palms. Satin and tulle bows marked the pews for the families and intimate friends.

Mrs. Edythe B. Bentley, organist, played "Liebestraum" (Liszt) "The Old Refrain" (Kreisler) and "Ave Maria" (Schubert), and Mrs. Minard F. Miller, soprano, sang "The Lord's Prayer" (Malotte). The traditional wedding marches were used.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride made a charming picture in her wedding gown of tulle over satin. The tight, shirred basque had a high neckline and short sleeves, and the skirt was bouffant. Her voluminous veil of illusion was held in place by a coronet of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white orchids and stephanotis and wore an antique sunburst of diamons, gift of the bridegroom.

Miss Margaret Talley, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mrs. V. H. Slayden of Avon Park, Lieutenant Ellis' sister, matron of honor. Miss Nancy Deen and Miss Susanne Pierce were the bridesmaids.

Their gowns, fashioned alike, were of palest pink marquisette. The close-fitting bodices were shirred, with tiny puffed sleeves, and the necklines were in sweetheart design. The very full skirts extended from a low hipline. Their Juliet caps were of sequins, and they carried old-fashioned nosegays of roses, shading from pale pink at the outer edge to deep rose in the center.

Colonel Ellis attended his son as best man. Groomsmen were M. C. Talley, Jr., brother of the bride, Lt. Charles K. Hanner, and Lt. Kenneth Green, and ushers were Albert C. King, Hammond Jones, E. E. Kelley, Jr., Baylis B. Garner, I. W. Robertson, Arthur Cheatham, David O. Payne and Dr. Herman Watson.

Mrs. Talley was dressed in peacock blue crepe with yoke and sleeves of net and sequins, and her Juliet hat of the same material had two crossed pins of sequins. Mrs. Ellis chose for her son's wedding a teal blue crepe dress, and the long-sleeved bolero was banded with nailheads. Mrs. T. T. Talley, Sr., the bride's grandmother, was gowned in black crepe. All wore orchids.

After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Talley entertained at a reception at their home.

Mrs. J. Lander Allin and Mrs. C. A. Burckhalter greeted the guests at the door, and Mrs. John R. Wright and Mrs. Thomas A. Barrow in the hall. Mrs. Albert C. King presented them to the receiving line, which was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Talley, Lieutenant and Mrs. Ellis and Colonel and Mrs. Ellis.

Mrs. Georgie D. Wilson was hostess in the drawing room. Mrs. E. R. Pipping and Mrs. E. E. Kelley, Jr., poured coffee from 7 o'clock until 8:30, and Mrs. Hammond Jones and Mrs. Alvin J. Filastre from 8:30 until 10. Others assisting in serving were Mrs. Charles F. Benford, Mrs. Edwin Pierce, Mrs. James R. Boulware, Jr., Mrs. O. F. McGill, Mrs. Russell H. Cole, Mrs. M. R. Seed, and Mrs James H. Mattenlee.

Mrs. J. P. Getzen had charge of the dining room, where cake was served. She was assisted by Miss Helen Forney, Mrs. Jack Kibler, Mrs. Phil Weaver and Mrs. Leland Morrow.

The table was laid with a white satin cover edged with real lace and centered with a tiered wedding cake which was decorated with spun roses. Throughout the lower floor of the home, palms formed a background for baskets of bride's roses, white chrysanthemums, gladioli and snow creeper.

In the patio, punch was served from 7 o'clock until 8:30 by Mrs. William L. King and Mrs. Herman Watson, assisted by Miss Nancy Sammon, Miss Della Smith, Miss Patsy Norris, and Miss Avis Snively, and from 8:30 o'clock until 10 by Mrs. David Payne and Mrs. R. Barnwell Fuller, who was assisted by Miss Charlotte Ballenger, Miss Jane May, Miss Margaret-Marie Bryant, Miss Marjoree Silks, Mrs. W. K. Love, Miss Margie Sue Oxford and Miss Cleona Robnett.

The gift room was in charge of Mrs. Grady Deen, Mrs. Jesse J. Gilliam, Mrs. Albert Key and Mrs. W. W. Chase, Jr.

Mrs. T. J. Oxford, Mrs. Paul J. Sammon, Mrs. E. Snow Martin and Mrs. Arthur Cheatham presided at the bride's book.

Others assisting in entertaining were Mrs. Raymond Pruitt, Mrs. Fred Benford, Mrs. C. A. Stewart, Mrs. I. W. Robertson, Mrs. R. W. Barnes, Mrs. Edgar Watson, Mrs. John F. Wilson and Mrs. Milton Edwards.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pickens Talley of Tallahassee and Mrs. Pickens Coles Talley of Mount Dora.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Ellis have gone to Miami, and on their return will make their home in Winter Haven. Mrs. Ellis traveled in a wool suit of gold tone, with which she used blue accessories.

The bride, who has been extensively entertained since the announcement of her engagement, was born in Jacksonville but has lived here since early childhood. She attended Lakeland high school, Arlington Hall in Arlington, Va., and Washington seminary in Atlanta.

Lieutenant Ellis was educated at Porter Military academy in Charleston, University high school in Columbia, and was graduated from the United States Military academy in May, 1942. He received his pilot training in California and his wings at Luke field, Ariz., in June. He is now at the combat crew training school at Bartow. — Lakeland Ledger.

Legion Auxiliary Entertains Guests at Dinner Meeting

Mrs. Helen Westfall of Miami, department president of the American Legion Auxiliary, and Mrs. Sallie Pelot, Sarasota, sixth district vice president, were guests of honor at a dinner meeting of the Avon Park unit Monday evening. The Sebring unit was cohost for the evening.

A dinner was held in a private dining room at the Jacaranda hotel at 7 o'clock. The Legion colors of blue and gold were emphasized in flat arrangements of blossoms at intervals the length of the long table. Places were designated by small cards tied with blue and gold ribbons. Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, first vice president greeted the visitors and extended a cordial welcome to the members present. Beautiful corsages were presented to Mrs. Westfall and Mrs. Pelot.

The meeting, following the dinner, was held at the Lotela Club. Each of the visitors spoke on plans and accomplishments of the organization and commended the local unit for the splendid activity that is being shown by the reports. Mrs. Walter S. Martin, president, very graciously presided at the meeting. Regrets were read from the Lake Placid unit that they were unable to be represented.

Those present included Mrs. Westfall, Mrs. Pelot, Mrs. Walter S. Martin, Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, Mrs. Ed Welch, Mrs. John H. Hood, Mrs. Mary Holcomb, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Mrs. Vivian Rowe, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. Demos Mandis, Mrs. H. R. Currie, Mrs. Dan Ellis, Mrs. J. E. Statham, Mrs. R. H. Bovell, Mrs. W. M. Hetherington, and Mrs. John Cave, Mrs. Edwin Lewis, Mrs. L. C. Kintzler, and Mrs. R. W. Boyce, of Sebring.

Sans Souci Kindergarten Has Circus

The pupils of the Sans Souci kindergarten were hosts to their parents and friends at a showing of their miniature circus Thursday morning. This display was the culmination of several weeks work of making and coloring circus animals and clowns, and various other numbers typical of the typical circus.

Corrals and cages were arranged on the lawn containing zebras, lions, camels, bears, elephants, buffalo, hippopotomas and horses. Nearby, alligators looked on lazily from an improvised mirror pool.

A gaily trimmed ferris wheel, merry-go-round, and the all important big top were indispensable features. The grounds were outlined and trimmed with gay carnival pennants.

Moving pictures, as well as still shots were made of the children as they marched and played, eating popcorn and ice cream cones in true carnival style.

The kindergarten children are Kathryn Struck, Jean Parker, Phellas Post, Wanda Sue Sapp, Nancy Ginn, Ann Thomason, Harriet Mann, Elaine Hunt, Dorothy Ellen Gould, Marnell Jordon, Elaine Worden, Caroline Slayden, Jean Thomas, Johnny Mathews, Tommy Turpen, Thurston Martin, and Jerry Ware.

Benefit Bridge Monday Afternoon Delightful affair

St. Margaret's Guild of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church entertained at a benefit bridge party at the parish house on Monday afternoon, the first of a series of such delightful affairs that the group is planning for the winter season. Ten tables were in play during the afternoon.

High Score prize, at the conclusion of the games, a handsome crystal bowl, was presented to Mrs. A. Cunningham. Two bingo prizes were won by Mrs. S. V. Hunnings and Mrs. Dan Ellis.

The parish house was beautifully decorated for the occasion with arrangements of shell orchids. The coffee table was centered with a low bouquet of these flowers with a silver coffee service at either end. Silver trays held a variety of dainty sandwiches and silver compotes were filled with delicious homemade candies. Mrs. W. S. Betts and Mrs. R. H. Jordan presided at the coffee services during the afternoon, and Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. Demos Mandis, Mrs. Ralph Herring and Mrs. Alexander Gilmour assisted in serving.

Methodist Group Has Thanksgiving Party Thursday

The Intermediate Fellowship of the First Methodist Church enjoyed a combined business meeting and Thanksgiving party at the Hut on Thursday evening. Claude A. Myer, president of the group conducted the business meeting.

Later, games were played and enjoyable refreshments of punch, nuts and candy were served.

Those present were Mrs. T. C. Mathews and Mrs. M. E. Meyer, counsellors, Miss Agnes Hayes, and Jimmie Tomlinson, Sonny Lewis, Charles and Claude Myer, Marjorie Hetherington, Helen Bryant, Christina Lewis, Joyce Basemore, Helen Knowles, Patty Bovard, and Joyce King.

MRS. DAVIDSON BREAKS LEG IN FALL

Mrs. R. P. Davidson broke her left leg below the hip in a fall at her home in Hollyhurst last Saturday, friends will regret to learn. She was taken to Tampa municipal hospital, where she is receiving treatment.

Mrs. Sherman is Hostess Tuesday at Dessert Bridge

Mrs. Alice Sherman very graciously entertained members of the Sans Souci Club at a dessert bridge at her home on Tuesday evening. In keeping with the Thanksgiving season, the rooms were decorated with bowls of colorful red blossoms and a large basket of gladioli.

The dainty dessert course consisted of mince pie and coffee. When scores were totaled, following several progressions, high and second high awards were given to Miss Millie Pearson and Miss Verna Heim.

Club members enjoying the party included Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Marie Anderson, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr., Mrs. Philip Boardman, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. Freed Peden, Miss Verna Heim, and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite.

Cooking School to Be Held Thursday, Dec. 7

Mrs. Ethel D. Weaver, home economist for the Florida Power Corporation, will hold a cooking school in the Customers' Lounge at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, Dec. 7. The care of old appliances, since we cannot buy new ones, will be stressed by Mrs. Weaver, Food, some old and some new recipes, will be prepared in the oven, thrift cooker and on the surface. All food prepared will be given as prizes, and there will be a nice door prize that, Mrs. Weaver says will be a joy to any homemaker. The main idea of the school is to instruct housewives to prepare every day foods in an attractive and a nutritious manner. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Birthday Dinner at Home Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Roberts

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Roberts entertained on Wednesday, Nov. 22 at their home on Lake Viola, as a at their home on Lake Viola, at a family dinner given in honor of their son, Cpl Wendell Roberts, who was home on furlough. Cpl. Roberts was observing his 38th birthday anniversary on this date. Turkey and dressing formed the piece de resistance for the delicious diner.

Covers were laid for Cpl. and Mrs. Wendell Roberts and two children, Stevie and Mary Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Roberts, Rev. and Mrs. Forrest Church and son, Bob Ed, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Roberts, Mrs. M. A. Roberts of Zolfo, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Durrance of Bartow, and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Roberts.

Woman's Club Is Collecting Gifts For Children's Home

The Woman's Club, in preparation of the collection of their Christmas gift box for the Florida Children's Home in Jacksonville, will provide a container in the Barnett Bank next week, where contributions may be left. Clothing and food stuffs may be left in the box at the bank, and donations of money may be handed to Mrs. W. C. Touchton, chairman. The box will be packed after next week, so do not delay in making your holiday gift as soon as possible.

Turkey Supper at Whidden Home Thursday Evening

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Whidden entertained at their home, 304 Anoka avenue Thursday evening at a turkey supper, the holiday decorations in the dining room, arranged by Mrs. F. M. Savage, were especially beautiful.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brooker and two children, Shirley and Douglas of Wauchula, Cpl and Mrs. Joe Brewer of Tulsa, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Savage.

—SOCK YOUR SAVINGS INTO BONDS—

APAAF Gunners Shoot With Cameras

Avon Park Army Air Field. — Dec. 1 — Shooting enemy planes with cameras instead of guns may sound absurd, but it is the newest development in final phase training of B-17 Flying Fortress combat crews at Avon Park Army Air Field.

Camera gunnery is the newest in the bag of tricks performed by APAAF gunnery experts. It is an absolute proof of the gunner's accuracy, proving beyond all doubt whether or not a gunner, had he been shooting live ammunition instead of film, would score a direct hit or miss on attacking aircraft.

The machine guns on the Flying Fortresses used in this phase of training have cameras synchronized to expose the film as the trigger is pulled. Pictures are snapped of the target — P-40s and P-51s using enemy combat tactics.

Every air-crew trainee at APAAF shoots 200 feet of film during his school term here. Four camera gunnery missions are flown, 50 feet of film being exposed on each run. After the film is processed the gunners are assembled and combat veteran instructors project the film, point out the good and bad points in the gunner's aiming and firing. The screen has symmetrical circles comparable to a target "bull's eye." As this film is projected the gunner and instructor, through their knowledge of flexible gunnery, can tell whether or not live ammunition would have hit the attacking plane.

Each crew member is scored and a vast improvement is shown in the gunner's accuracy when he completes this phase of training. Ten passes or simulated attacks are averaged in each camera gunnery mission. APAAF marksmen average 50 per cent direct hits.

FORMER RESIDENT IN STAGE SHOW

Mrs. Angelo Lewis, formerly of Avon Park, now known as Jennie Lewis on the stage, is playing in the Olsen-Johnson show in Boston, friends here will be interested to learn. Mrs. Lewis is also a Joe Bonomo model in New York city. Her husband, a lieutenant in the navy is stationed in New York. Lt. and Mrs. Lewis formerly resided in Avon Park, when he was a civilian instructor at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy.

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GIRL OVERBOARD

by GEORGE F. WORTS

WNU RELEASE

THE STORY THUS FAR: Zorie Corey, who hates herself for being so meek, is railroaded into taking a job she does not want, assisting Admiral Duncan write his memoirs. She is in love with Paul Duncan, the admiral's grandson. Aboard the steamship Samoa, en route to Hawaii, she dances with Steve, Paul's brother. Paul is furious, and warns Zorie against him, claiming that Steve is a Nazi spy. On returning to her stateroom after taking dictation Zorie discovers that her notebook is missing. While alone on deck a brutal hand is clamped over her mouth, she is scooped up and thrown overboard. She avoids the propellers and manages to catch a life ring which some sailor has tossed into the sea.

CHAPTER X

"The nurse told me not to disturb you for a while. I'd like to see you as soon as possible. It's very important, are you alone?"

"I will be," said Zorie. She reached for her dressing gown and said to Amber: "You won't mind going out for a while. My fiance wants to talk things over."

There was droll amusement in Amber's "Ah, yes! Your fiance! Not at all, my dear."

Zorie was sitting at the dressing table, thoughtfully considering Amber's array of cosmetics, when Paul knocked. She opened the door. He came in and closed it.

She half lifted her arms, expecting that he would seize her and hug and kiss her out of sheer relief that she was alive.

He looked her over quickly. He nodded jerkily. "You were lucky," he said. "You certainly were lucky. Are you sure you're all right?"

"Yes," Zorie said. "I'm all right." She was surprised that her feeling about Paul hadn't changed. Everything else had changed, but she was still in love with Paul. With a little working over, Paul would be satisfactory.

"Well," Paul said in a business-like way, "I've just had a long talk with the captain—with the doctor and the chief officer sitting in. This is pretty serious, Zorie."

"Yes," said Zorie, "I suppose it isn't an everyday occurrence."

She realized she had to make a decision. Her sole desire just now was to find out who had thrown her overboard. It occurred to her that it might be unwise to tell Paul that she had been thrown overboard. She was sure that the only people on the ship who knew were Amber, her uncle, and Pierre Savoyard. It would be impossible to prove that one of them had thrown her overboard. It would, she decided, be wiser to wait until she had talked with Steve.

"I have it all fixed up with the captain," Paul said. "The whole episode will be forgotten—nothing will be said. The incident will be closed."

"I'm afraid I don't understand," Zorie interrupted.

"You see," he explained, "a thing like this is very unpleasant for the steamship company."

"Its rather unpleasant for the victim, too," Zorie pointed out.

"You don't understand," said Paul. "This could easily cause a great deal of trouble for us all. The mainland and the Honolulu papers, if they picked up the truth—"

"The truth?" Zorie stopped him.

Paul looked somewhat grim. "You see, Zorie, even while the ship was being put about to pick you up, and since then, the captain and the chief officer have been questioning the crew. Several of the crew say you were drunk. You were seen staggering about the ship."

"I see," Zorie said dreamily. "I fell overboard because I was drinking."

"Well, isn't it obvious? Didn't you?"

"Will that get into the papers?" Zorie asked.

"Certainly not! That's what I've been arranging. Everything's all fixed. The story had already been wirelessed to Honolulu and the mainland that it was a prank. Someone dared you to walk the rail. You did. You slipped. You—"

"Who dared me?" Zorie asked.

Paul made a gesture of impatience. "No name had to be given. No one knows. One of the passengers. That clears you of any of the wrong kind of notoriety, and it absolves the company of any responsibility. You see, in a case like this, there's often apt to be a lawsuit."

"You mean, the company might sue me?"

"No, dear. You might sue the company."

"Paul," Zorie said, "you're wonderful. You think of everything."

"I even dropped in on the wireless man. They publish the shipboard newspaper, you know. I gave them a rather amusing account of it—for the passengers' benefit—and to plug any nasty rumors that might be going around. Now, all you have to do is sign this."

He held out a typed slip and his fountain pen, uncapped.

"What is it?"

"A release. It absolves the company of all responsibility."

Zorie signed it. Paul waved the release, to dry her signature.

"By the way," he said, "my brother is quite ill."

"Steve?" Zorie cried.

"Just about the time you fell overboard he was taken with an attack of acute indigestion. That was why the doctor didn't take care of you. He was busy pumping out Steve's stomach."

"How ill is he?" Zorie gasped.

"Oh, he'll be all right in the morning."

"Does he get these attacks often?"

"No, but he should—the way he drinks. I don't want to sound like a reformer, darling, but you do know how I feel about liquor. I hope you've had your lesson. I hope you'll never touch the stuff again as long as you live."

There was a familiar expression in Paul's eyes. It usually went with one of his lectures on the importance of being earnest.

"Zorie," he said, "you are still under the influence of those drinks, and I'm afraid you don't quite know what you're saying."

"I'm saying," Zorie said gently, "you'd better stop being so grim—and you'd better start stopping awfully soon. I am not the girl you knew, Paul. I am a changed person. I'm not meek any more. I am a woman who intends to fight for her rights."

"Good night, dear," Paul said hastily, as he moved to the door. "You need sleep. Sleep as late as you can. Good night."

"But . . ." Zorie began with determination. Then she realized that she must be patient with Paul. There were many people with whom she hadn't the slightest intention of being patient, but Paul was not one of them. She adored Paul. She would see to it that he lost his grimness and his stuffiness. Then Paul would be perfect.

She went to bed. She was almost asleep when Amber let herself in. Amber opened and closed the door so carefully that it didn't make a sound. She undressed noiselessly. She took the greatest pains not to disturb the girl who had slapped her face.

"Honolulu and Pearl Harbor," he said, "were bombed this morning!"

The telephone awoke her at a little before nine. Amber reached for it, answered it, and handed it to Zorie, saying, "It's for you, darling."

It was the admiral. He hoped he hadn't waked her. He hoped she was feeling well after her experience—hm?

"Do you suppose you could drop around sometime this morning?" he asked. "Steve is very anxious to talk to you."

"How is Steve?"

"He'll be all right. Steve is pretty tough, you know."

"Was it something he ate?" Zorie asked.

"The doctor couldn't say. I'll tell him you'll be around as soon as you've had a bite of breakfast—hm?"

"All right," said Zorie. She would see Steve when she got around to it. She wanted to do some thinking first. And there were other things she wanted to do.

She went to the beauty parlor. She had her hair washed, waved and arranged in a becoming new way. The beauty operator was clever. She was an enthusiast. She knew just what Zorie wanted and she knew just how to help her. Zorie bought rouge and lipstick and the beauty operator helped her apply them tellingly.

"Now," the girl said, when Zorie paid and tipped her, "you are beautiful, Miss Corey. You really are."

Zorie did not have to be told, but it was nice, anyway. The mirror told her everything. But it wasn't just the new hair-do, the rouge, the lipstick. It was something new in her face. There had been an indefinable softness before—a vagueness. Her chin line seemed clearer and bolder. But the great change was in her eyes. They were clear and bright and sparkling. They had assurance. They had arrogance.

She went to the admiral's suite and knocked on the door, not with her old timidity, but with assurance. She had two lovely battles on her hands beyond that door, and they weren't going to be Battles of Manila Bay; they were going to be Jutlands.

The admiral opened the door. He was smiling absently. He looked at her. He stared. His smile became tremulous. It faded. It returned in the form of a delighted grin.

"Zorie!" he cackled. "Why! I hardly knew you, my dear! And after what you went through last night! You are lovely! Maybe I'd better fall off this ship myself!"

"Where is Steve?"

"On the lanai."

Zorie walked out into the lanai, with the admiral trotting along behind her.

Steve, in a white toweling dressing gown, was stretched out in one of the long bamboo chairs. His pallor was shocking. His eyes were pale. He looked really ill.

He grinned slowly and said, "Hello, glamour girl!"

The admiral said, "Zorie, do you think you're going to feel like working today?"

"Yes," Zorie answered, "I feel very much like working today."

"I wanted to get on with the Battle of Manila Bay, then I thought we'd go back and finish up those chapters on my first years in Annapolis."

For a moment, her resolve faltered. Habit—that detested old habit of meekness—made her pliant. But the wavery feeling passed.

"I'm sorry," Zorie said. "I'm sorry to let you waste all that time. If you want me to help you with your memoirs, Admiral, the chapters on Annapolis and everything. perhaps, but a short chapter on Manila Bay go overboard."

"Now, wait a minute—" the admiral began.

"I mean it," she said. "Steve was right yesterday. You're the only person alive who can tell the story of the Duncan family. From the little I've heard of it, it's a fascinating story, a really wonderful story. If you want me to help you on a book—that's going to be the book."

She heard a chuckle from the bamboo chair.

The admiral's eyes were fiery. His obstinate chin was unusually prominent. His right fist was clenched. With it he banged on the table.

"Nobody is going to tell me how I'm going to write my book!" he shrilled. "Not even you, Zorie. No, sir! I write my own book my own way—or there won't be a book!"

"Very well," Zorie said serenely. "There won't be a book. As a matter of fact, there isn't any portion of any book. All of yesterday's dictation—" She lifted her hands in a gesture indictive of emptiness.

"You didn't destroy it!" the admiral gasped.

"Gone!" said Zorie.

"Good girl!" said Steve.

"I'm sorry, Admiral," Zorie said, "but that's how it is."

Admiral Duncan glared at her. "All right!" he snapped. "If you say so, Zorie—all right! But only because I have the utmost respect for your opinion! Not because I agree with you for a moment—hm?"

"And that," Steve said languidly, "is the first time since grandmother died that anybody has backed down the old fire-eater."

He strode out of the room. A moment later he came back almost running. His face, usually so red, looked very pale. He was panting when he stopped beside them.

"Honolulu and Pearl Harbor," he said breathlessly, "were bombed this morning! Japanese planes flew in from a carrier! They've destroyed our planes at Hickam, Wheeler and Kaneohe! We're helpless! The radio says they're coming over Shafter again in new waves!"

The road into Uluwehi E Kai ran along the edge of a purple-red cliff beside tall ripe sugar-cane with silver-bronze plumes, then it dipped rather abruptly into the palm trees which fringed the cove. Zorie caught a glimpse of a golden beach on which waves broke in a snowy smother and of pale green water deepening to dazzling blue offshore. Through the palms she caught glimpses of a group of houses with flat blue tile roofs and an immense garden against the sheer mountain wall in back. The mountain side was a shivering purple flame of bougainvillea. And she recalled that Uluwehi E Kai meant "a profusion of growing things by the sea."

It was a sparkling morning, golden and blue. Schooner clouds ghosted along an indigo horizon.

Zorie unpacked in the charming airy guest room to which a Japanese maid had taken her, then wandered out under the banyan trees and into the garden—a fragrant jungle of strange, exotic flowers.

She hoped that Steve would join her and tell her what some of the flowers were, but she presently saw him and the admiral walking briskly along another garden path toward the garage.

They passed within a dozen feet of her, but the largest ferns she had ever beheld screened them. She heard their voices clearly in the jungle stillness.

"Well, all right," Steve's grandfather was saying in a sharp voice, "but it may be hard to arrange at the last minute. This island is under total blackout and people aren't going to like driving over these narrow, twisty little roads with those dim blue headlights."

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

A GUY here turned down $1,000,000 the other day, and he's not having his head examined. He is producing a picture.

He's **Frank Ross**, who was offered $1,000,000 for something he paid $100,000 for. That is $900,000 profit on anybody's comptometer, but Frank Ross doesn't want it. He wants to add $3,900,000 to his original investment and complete a picture.

If all that seems astronomical and a trifle goofy, consider the property this chap has got hold of. All studios agree that nothing like it has come along in ages.

Frank is living proof, incidentally, of the value of the "help thy neighbor" policy. One day in 1942 he was helping **Richard Halliday**, literary agent, to cut his lawn, when Halliday happened to mention a book his client, **Lloyd C. Douglas**, was writing. The book was half written; the subject fascinated Ross. As soon as the last blade of grass had been trimmed both men were on their way to Dr. Douglas' house to talk a deal.

It was estimated as early as that that the latest of the Douglas novels, called "The Robe," might sell as many as 400,000 copies. The latest report from the publishers shows it sold 1,500,000 copies, and after two years of publication is still the fastest selling thing on the book shelves.

Box Office Second Thought

It is Mr. Ross' belief that good pictures make money, and if you make good pictures the box office will respond, so why think of the box office first? And he has proved that he has something on the ball. When Columbia, after searching for a story for his wife, **Jean Arthur**, revealed its dilemma to him, Ross offered to write an original. The result was "The More the Merrier." Before that, with **Norman Krasna**, he produced "The Devil and **Miss** Jones" for Miss Arthur, and since then has produced "The Lady Takes a Chance."

With this record any studio in town would be ready to entrust to aim a group of its high-budget pictures, but Ross, a Bostonian by birth, is independent by preference. To keep faith with the millions of readers of "The Robe," which becomes an increasing responsibility, he early had inserted in each copy a questionnaire asking the reader to advise him on the attached postcard what portions of the book made the greatest impression. The replies were to guide the writers of the screen play in choosing and dramatizing scenes.

There's Public Opinion

A tall stack of replies comes in daily. People of all walks of life write that no book in their memory has laid such definite hold upon them, brought them such faith and understanding.

His best critics have called him a chump for turning down the $1,000,000 offer. But he has an interesting philosophy. It's his belief that no social system, no schemes for postwar happiness and peace, can work until people are a little better. It is the greed, the suspicions and treachery within people themselves that cause social systems and reforms to fail. People must somehow, sooner or later, be brought to the realization, he declares, that they must individually improve to have the world improve.

"If this picture can help people to be even a little better, as the book seems to have done in thousands of cases," he says, "I will have performed the greatest function I can ever perform as a producer."

Familiar Faces Out

Ross' casting views are a little quaint. In most pictures familiar faces are an asset, but this is not one of them. His whole success in recreating the Roman era and the characters of "The Robe," he feels, is dependent upon audiences believing that the players are actually the people of the past whom they are supposed to be. To have audiences recognizing familiar players through out the film would be, in his own word, fatal.

"The Robe" will be in technicolor, which adds a third to its cost. Sets, makeup, and wardrobe have to be more realistic than is necessary in black and white. The color camera picks up only too quickly any cheating in quality.

He approaches the task without any illusions. And he's spent 18 months preparing.

I'm hoping with all this care it will be as good as "Going My Way." If it's not, it won't be because Ross and **Mervyn LeRoy**, who will direct the film, didn't try.

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Confoosin' an' Amoosin'

Maj. Frank Lloyd's large vocabulary of air force slang is causing no end of confusion on the set of "Blood on the Sun," which he's directing. As airmen do, Lloyd barks "Roger!" when he means "yes" or "okay." And every time he does it, the wardrobe man, assistant camera man, and two grips leap to attention. They're all named Roger. . . . **Lyle Talbot**, in San Francisco in "The Doll's House," has a new way of courting his gal, **Sheila Rogers**. He sends her steaks, butter and bacon

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Washington Digest

Senate Setup Promises Postwar Treaty Approval

Defeat of Ardent Isolationists Assures Smoother Sailing on Program for Cooperative World Organization.

By **BAUKHAGE**

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Washington, in these weeks of preparation for the forthcoming meeting of the Big Three, has gradually begun to realize that the result of the November election, whatever its effect on domestic politics may be, placed America face to face with the greatest problem in the field of foreign affairs that this country has ever attempted to solve.

And regardless of how effective the efforts of our statesmen may be there is no question that the people have placed behind them a pledge of harmonious support.

The President will sit down at the meeting, probably somewhere in the Middle East, with Prime Minister Churchill and Marshal Stalin, with the most specific mandate as to foreign policy ever given a President by the people of the United States.

America's representatives at the United Nations' conference, which will probably take up the unfinished business started at Dumbarton Oaks, will enter discussions with the greatest military force and international prestige that any of this country's diplomatists have ever enjoyed before.

When the United States senate starts deliberations on the agreements which grow out of the parleys of the Big Three (or Big Four), and the later meetings of the United Nations' representatives, that body will have what now appears to be the necessary two-thirds majority of senators whose constituencies have expressed themselves in favor of broad international cooperation.

The people have spoken. It now depends on the wisdom and the ability of their servants to produce the kind of a plan for the postwar world which will be at once thoroughly American in principle, acceptable to our friends and effective against our enemies.

A brief review of the new complexion of the senate reveals how strikingly the people spoke in favor of international cooperation.

Trend Evident Before Election

The trend became evident before the election in four primary contests, and bipartisan support for the policy of international forces was achieved and cooperation has been reinforced by other circumstances as well. Beginning with the defeat of "Cotten Ed" Smith of South Carolina in the primaries we find in his place the senator-elect Johnston who, in his campaign, pledged his support of the administration's foreign policy.

Another defeat in the primaries was that of Senator Worth Clark of Idaho, whose opponent (now senator-elect Taylor) campaigned on a strong internationalist platform, the first to win on such a program in this state so strong in the Borah tradition.

Another ardent isolationist to fail renomination in spite of his splendid record as a skilled legislator was Bennett Champ Clark. His fall was a mighty blow to the isolationist cause since he was a member of the Nye munitions committee, composed of Senator Nye of North Dakota, Clark and Senator Bone of Washington, a group which for years has been the well-spring of emphatic anti-internationalistic speech and action.

The other two members of this group have departed likewise: Senator Bone was appointed to a judgeship in his home state; Senator Nye went down to defeat before the three times governor of North Dakota elected on a clear-cut international platform.

Another breach was made in the nationalistic front by the withdrawal of Senator Reynolds of North Carolina who, like Senator Bone, left voluntarily.

There were two other defeats in final senatorial contests to be noted. Senator Holman of Washington mentioned in the famous book, "Under Cover," for his alleged ultra-nationalistic leanings, was replaced by Wayne Morse, a Republican who leans well toward international cooperation, and the well-liked Senator Danaher of Massachusetts who went down before the aggressive campaign of Brien McMahon, one of former Attorney General Homer Cummings' assistant AGs.

There are certain other points worth noting.

On the Foreign Relations committee whence must come approval for international commitments, Senator Reynolds and Senator Bennett Clark and Nye are removed.

In any case, however, the removal of Senator Nye, who was chairman of the powerful committee on committees, means that such new appointments as are made will not be influenced by the North Dakotan's extreme views.

Other factors make for support of the administration. The election has greatly strengthened the prestige of Senator Ball of Minnesota who was most active in the fight to get the original resolution favoring an international peace organization before the congress and the people. Similar increased influence in the senate will be exerted by former Representative Fulbright who fathered a like resolution in the house.

A look at the Republican leadership in the upper house is worth while in this connection, too.

GOP Minority Promises Moderation

At present a quartet of leaders with Senator White as their nominal head are at the helm. Of these Senator Taft, although usually rated as strongly nationalist, is after all on record as favoring the old League of Nations in principle, criticizing only the fact that its members failed to carry out their promises. Another of large influence, Senator Vandenberg, has done a great deal to interpret the trend of popular sentiment in the middlewest away from a rigid nationalist viewpoint. He worked to that end in the Mackinac conference, and at the Republican convention last summer. He did yeoman's service in cooperation with Secretary of State Hull in obtaining senate support for UNRAA.

Without the help of these Republicans and their colleagues, and of course Senator Austin and Senator White, the administration could hardly get a two-thirds vote. This more conservative element will also furnish a valuable check against efforts toward extreme internationalism on the part of the administration which might turn the people against the administration and thus defeat its own purpose.

Perhaps the task of checking aggression is too great for human hands and human minds to achieve. But never before in our history has America had such an opportunity to lead the world toward the goal of good-will and peace among nations.

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In all the various discussions concerning the restoration of sound currency conditions in the postwar period, the British balance of payments appears as one of the chief stumbling blocks, the Alexander Hamilton institute points out. As a result of the war, the balance of payments of Great Britain has witnessed a material deterioration.

The foreign trade of the country has shown a large excess of imports over exports which, before the institution of lend-lease, was met primarily through the shipment of gold and the liquidation of British-owned foreign assets. It is estimated that, during the war, Great Britain has lost approximately $4,000,000,000 of some of the best foreign assets held by British nationals.

The loss of income from these foreign investments has naturally had an adverse effect on Great Britain's balance of payments and, unless it is counteracted in other ways, it will reduce her ability to buy merchandise abroad. In normal times Great Britain received about $800,000,000 from her foreign investments. An additional $400,000,000 per annum was received from British shipping. Substantial sums were also earned each year by British insurance companies operating all over the world and by the financial operations of the city of London.

Since the poorer foreign investments remain in British hands, it is difficult to determine with any degree of accuracy what the returns on these investments will be in the postwar period.

BRIEFS . . . by Baukhage

Labor - management production committees are now operating in more than 5,000 war plants.

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Geographically isolated from the rest of the country by the Rockies, California before the war had more than enough oil for domestic markets in the West Coast states. In consequence, it developed a substantial export market in the Far East.

A nation-wide contest for a popular song that will "stir up the people's fighting spirit" has been announced by the Japanese Information board.

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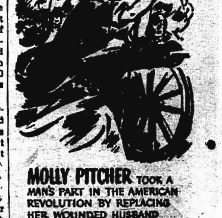

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Handsome Jewelry Ensembles Are of Victorian Inspiration

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

IN KEEPING with the new trend to elegance that is so obvious throughout the new fashions, evening costumes take on ultra formality because of the very unusual and lovely jewelry worn with them. Nothing in the way of accessories could be more eye-appealing than the exquisite jewelry ensembles created by designers who have recaptured the artistry and finesse of the beautiful jewels worn in the sumptuous Victorian period.

According to the new showings, the trend this year is to ensemble jewels in groups of matching necklace, bracelet, earrings and various other intriguing items such as the new and elegant chokers and chatelaines, the breath-taking loveliness of which baffles description.

It would be difficult to find among the new collections a more beautiful ensemble than the matching necklace, bracelet and earrings wrought of seed pearls in the exquisite Victorian manner, as shown to the left in the illustration. The fringed ends of the pearl strands are tipped with pastel colored stones which match the clasps. The passion for pearls is more so than ever this season and it adds fervor to the enthusiasm of fashion-wise women that they are available in such fascinating new effects as here shown.

Evenings become more formal with orchids and beautiful jewels worn as accessories to one's costume as milady to the right in the picture wears them. Here gold snakechain makes a gracefully draped necklace with clusters of pink tourmalines accented with diamonds.

The revival of chokers and dog collars this season is the big sensation that is causing no-end excitement among fashion followers at present. These jeweled bands about the throat favor pearls. It is ever so smart to wear a pearl choker about the round neckline of a modish black dress. The type seen most is the several-strand pearl choker of Victorian inspiration. It's nice to know that most of the now-so-fashionable chokers or dog collars have bracelets and earrings to match.

The choker shown in the inset is formed of gold chains. Earrings of antique gold worn with it give the elegant look that best-dressed women covet. Choice gold jewelry has a very high fashion rating this year, many pieces being replicas of heirloom designs.

Another thrill in the jewelry realm is the return of the coiffure comb. Today combs are considered jewelry, many being studded with colorful stones crowned or mounted with pearls. The pearls which give distinction to the hairdo shown in the inset are formed of gold bands on which are mounted rows of delicate fleur de lis.

For a smart fashion gesture you must wear style-right jewelry with your sports clothes. The short necklace and matching earrings worn with the tailleur shown centered at the top are of two-tone gold plate flexible links worked like a coat of mail. Perfect to wear with your tweeds!

There's important news in the new and exceedingly chic chatelaines that look so modern and elegant worn across the front of a suit-jacket or arranged about its pocket. There's big news too, in the mannish fobs which are excitingly novel in the feminine picture. You wear them anywhere they will show off best, suspended over the top of your jacket pocket, dangling from your belt or arranged like a corsage brooch on your bodice or blouse.

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Short Dinner Frock

Featured at a recent fashion show held at the Waldorf-Astoria, this voguish frock reaffirmed the importance of black with glitter as well as continued interest in the short-length dinner gown. The all-over sequin embroidery is done in the scroll pattern in a most designful way. Black accessories add to the high-style mood of the costume.

Latest Accessories Are Sequin-Spangled

The sequin vogue goes on and on. The nice thing about sequin-splashed accessories is that it doesn't matter whether they be neckwear, dickies, berets, ascot scarfs, gloves, belts or bags or what have you, if you want to give a dress-up accent to your costume you can do it in a jiffy. The idea of wearing a bright sequinned print ascot with the tailored suit is making widespread appeal. These glittering ascots are really charming. Another item that gives uplift to the simple suit is the dickey that is either solidly sequinned or done in multi-colored florals. The all-black dickey is of definite style importance. It is stunning with the all-black suit which holds such high fashion rank at present. These sequinned dickies are sold in the neckwear department, as are also sparkling jabots. Milliners are showing clever beret and evening bag sets, solidly worked with sequins. Other choice sequinned items include gloves and belts, the latter worked with multi-color florals in girdle effect at the front.

High, Close-Fitting Neck Is Feature of New Blouses

There is such a vast showing of beautiful vostume jewelry this season, that it may account for the tremendous success of the blouse with the jewel neckline. You can wear the new choker so becomingly with these high close-fitting necks, likewise your one, two or three-strand pearls. You can arrange a flock of the new scatter pins very becomingly in connection with the new jewel neckline. Many smart frocks, especially the basic blacks, have this new neckline also.

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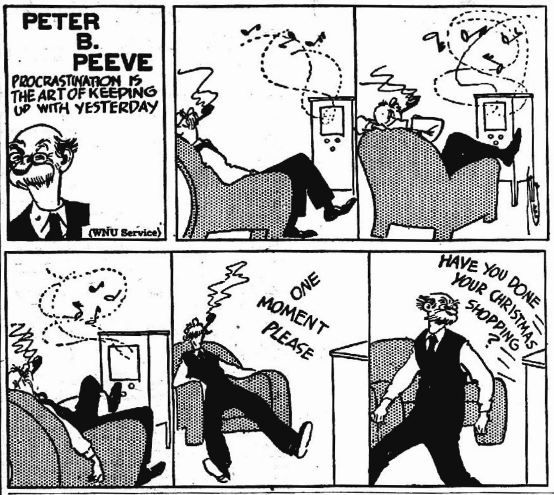
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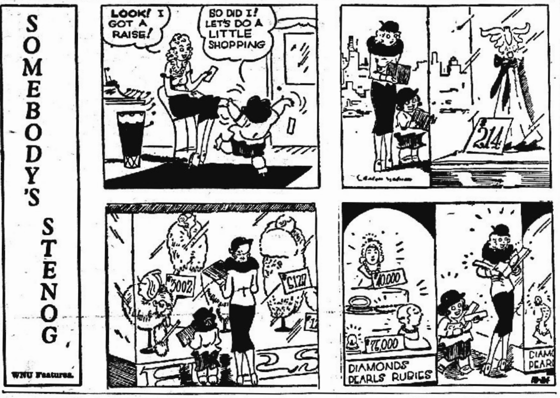

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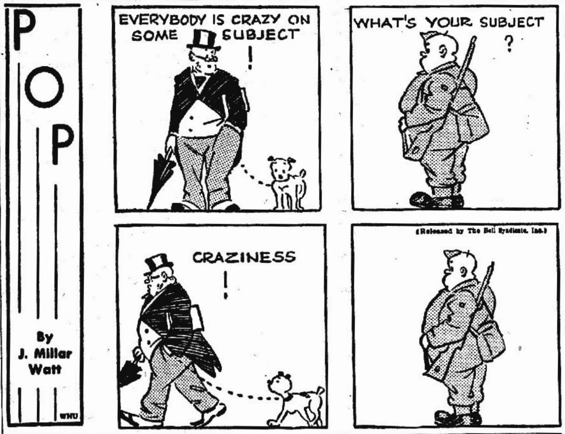
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By J. Millar Watt

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Mrs. Brown—We've been keeping their parrot for them while they're away.

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Woman—Not for me. I can have him shot for a lot less.

Lucky Fellow

Brown—I understand Mrs. Jones is suing to have her husband's will set aside.

Blue—Yeah, she can't seem to realize her husband isn't alive any more!

V-DAY CELEBRATION

A colonel was startled to receive a sharp kick in the pants from a sergeant who opened the door of his car for him. A private, who was passing by, walked up and promptly planted another kick in the same spot. At the court-martial the sergeant pleaded that the colonel had stepped on his most sensitive corn and that he had lost his self-control. The private, in turn, snapped to attention, though white and trembling, and explained that on seeing the sergeant's action he — "naturally"—thought that the war was over.

No Knowledge Needed

Jones—I don't know a woman who knows anything about parliamentary law.

Smith—Probably most of them are like my wife—she's been speaker of the house for 20 years now!

No Pleasing 'Em

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Private—That's what's annoying her.

ARMY GAME

Sarge—Anyone here like moving pictures?

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Sarge—Okay, report to headquarters. There are a lot of photo files over there that need moving.

Damp Dry?

Jones—We had an eight pound bundle of joy delivered to our house today.

Smith—Boy or girl?

Jones—Neither. It was my laundry!

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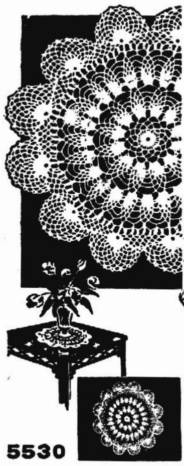

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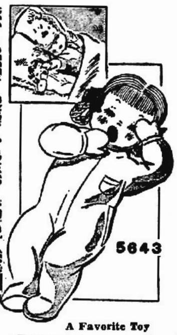

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4. Which part of your body can't you touch with both hands at the same time?
5. In what country is the ancient fortress the Alhambra?
6. What was the first name of George Washington's father?
7. What is chrysotile?
8. What is a protocol?
9. An isosceles triangle has how many equal sides?
10. What is the number of degrees of latitude between the North pole and the equator?

The Answers

1. Elbert Hubbard.
2. Raphael.
3. Pommel.
4. Your elbow.
5. Spain.
6. Augustine.
7. Asbestos.
8. A preliminary draft of a treaty.
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WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By

(Congressman J. Hardin Peterson)

NEW MEMBERS — Senator Jenner, the new Senator from Indiana was sworn in this session and has been appointed to serve on the following Committees: District of Columbia, Education and Labor, Expenditures of Executive Departments and Indian Affairs. — Mrs. Willa Fulmer, widow of Honorable Hampton Fulmer, late Member of Congress from South Carolina and late Chairman of Agriculture Committee of the House, was sworn in to succeed her husband for the balance of this Congress. The seating of Mrs. Fulmer makes two Democratic women in the House.

VETERANS LEGISLATION — The Senate last week reported favorably the following bills relating to veterans. These bills had already passed the House. H. R. 86. An act to grant pensions to certain un-remarried dependent widows of Civil War veterans who were married to the veteran subsequent to June 26, 1905; with amendments (Report No. 1148). H. R. 4999. An act to increase the service-connected disability rates of pension for certain Regular Establishment veterans and veterans of wars prior to World War 1 without amendment (Report No. 1149); and H. R. 5041. An act to amend the Veterans Regulations; without amendment (Rept. No. 1150).

CHANGES IN COMMITTEES — The death of Senator "Cotton Ed" Smith, of South Carolina, who was eDan of the Senate and had served longer than any other person in the Senate, creates a vacancy in the Chairmanship of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Just a few weeks ago the death of Congressman Fulmer, of South Carolina, created a vacancy in the Chairmanship of the Committee on Agriculture in the House. By reason of seniority, South Carolina held the Chairmanship of both of these Committees and for a long period of time previous, Congressman Lever, also of South Carolina, had held the Chairmanship of the House on Agriculture. We don't know, as yet, who will succeed in the Senate to the Chairmanship but Congressman John Flannagan, of Virginia, will succeed to the House Chairmanship. Flannagan is familiar with our Florida problems and we feel he will cooperate with us. Congressman Fulmer had been very helpful to us and just a few days before his death had written me, telling me that he was going to use every effort to bring up the crop insurance bill, which at this writing is set for consideration next week and will probably be acted upon by the time this is read.

MILITARY AND NAVAL INSTALLATION EXPENDITURE IN FLORIDA HIGHEST PER CAPITA IN NATION — The Weekly Business Review, prepared by the Research Division of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce and based on data recently released by the Industry and Facilities Division of the War Production Board, revealed expenditures for war expansion and construction of factories, etc., and for military and naval installations during the four year period from July 1940 to June, 1944, reveals that on a per capita basis the total expended for military and naval installations in the State of Florida was the highest per capita in the nation. $521,000,000 were spent for war and navy installations in the State of Florida. In this respect, Florida ranks fourth in the Nation with California first, Texas second and Virginia third. But on a per capital basis the amount expended in Florida was the highest, Florida having $255 per capita, Virginia with $206 and California $158 per capita.

TANGERINE PRICE CEILINGS — There was an increased in price ceilings on tangerines announced this last week by the OPA amounting to 53c on every 1 3/5 bushel standard container, which price, when added to the previous price ceiling, makes the present price $4.99 per standard container. This order went into effect November 16 at midnight.

OLD AGE PENSIONS — On the opening day of the session, Congressman Angell, of Ore., made the following statement in part regarding old age pensions. "The aged citizen of America are still with us and will continue to be with us as long as we exist as a nation. These elderly citizens have in a large measure, laid the foundations and performed the work for building America and for preserving our American way of life. It is their sons and grandsons who are now fighting on every battle front throughout the world to preserve our freedoms and our American way of life, and to make sure that American will endure throughout the ages. To keep faith with these fighting Americans we should make ample provision for their fathers and grandfathers who are without adequate means of support. The least this generation can do is to make suitable provision for these old folks so that they may live in decency and health as long shadows fall on their declining years. We all know that a great proportion of these men and women who made America are dependent on the public, relatives, or charity for their maintenance."

CONGRESSMAN-ELECT ROGERS — The Hon. Dwight Rogers, who was elected from the new Sixth District, was in Washington this last week. Cong. Rogers was trying to work out some of the problems attendant upon a new Member. We are, of course, very much interested in his success because he will, after Jan. 3, represent five of the counties from the First District which I have represented, namely, Glades, Lee, Hendry, Charlotte and DeSoto. It has been a pleasure to represent these counties and the people have been very kind to me. Congressman Rogers has many friends here who were glad to see him.

Citrus Commission Names Special Legislative Group

LAKELAND, Nov. 23 — (Special) — Striving for a "harmonious, non-controversial" program, the Florida Citrus Commission has named a special legislative committee to work with the industry generally in making a study of needed changes in present laws and new statutes, preparatory to the April meeting of the legislature.

Judge W. L. Tilden of Orlando has been named chairman of the special legislative committee with A. S. Herlong of Leesburg and Charles A. Stewart of Auburndale as members.

The committee has suggested that a general meeting be held in Lakeland sometime during the week of Dec. 18, to assemble all recommendations and suggestions for legislation or revisions so they may be given full study, and it is hoped that by this time "various ideas (on legislation) will have developed to a rather definite though flexible stage."

In a statement issued by the committee it was suggested and requested "that every group, phase, factor and individual of the industry interest itself immediately in the study of the legislation needed by the industry with the view of formulating recommendations at the earliest possible date. With this accomplished, all interests will meet for general discussion with the commission, in the earnest hope that a harmonious, non-controversial program will develop."

Five points outlined in the committee statement, as objectives for the legislative committee, include:

"1. To stimulate early thought in the formation of a constructive legislative program for the 1945 legislature.

"2. If possible, to assist in coordinating and harmonizing any program or partial program advocated by any group, individual or phase of the industry.

"3. To make available to the industry its facilities and any information in its possession for thorough study and discussion of problems developed by experience and changing conditions.

"4. As a commission to advocate no program or part of program until agreed upon by the industry.

"5. To acquaint our legislators with the necessity and reasoning back of the program (especially legislators in the citrus counties.)"

Members of the committee are of the opinion that by fully acquainting the legislators with the industry and its changing needs, there will be less friction and delay in geting passage of those bills and measures which will be of a distinct benefit to the citrus grower, shipper, packer and canner, it was pointed out.

In appointing the special committee, Chairman Fred W. Davis of Lake Wales, said that it was the hope of the commission that the entire industry would be united in one program and there would be no controversy between groups or individuals, that all could be united in their actions.

Postwar Plans Include Radios in Intercity Buses

Radio equipment to enable intercity busses to be in constant communication with their headquarters and stations en route will be a postwar development in highway passenger transportation. Already the National Association of Motor Bus Operators has requested the Federal Communications Commission to allocate fifteen radio wave bands for the industry's use.

At FCC hearings held in Washington recently, representatives of several major intercity bus lines told how improved communications equipment would facilitate travel. The ability to communicate directly with busses on the highways and to receive messages from drivers would add to passengers' convenience and comfort, promote safety, minimize delays in the event of road failures or adverse highway conditions, and expedite repair and maintenance work.

Several of the nation's larger lines are planning the installation of experimental equipment on certain routes as soon as wartime restrictions are lifted. While the program will be developed by individual bus lines, the request for the necessary wave bands was made by the industry as a whole to provide for eventual national coverage of all highway passenger transportation operations.

No Right To Change Inspection Dates

LAKELAND, Nov. 23 — (Special) — The Florida Citrus Commission has no right, under the law, to change the dates for terminating maturity inspection on fresh fruit, it was advised today by its legal department.

Recently the growers Administrative Committee, contending that fruit today is far more advanced in maturity than at any comparable time in many years, asked the commission to terminate the inspection as of Dec. 1.

However, a law enacted by the last legislature sets Dec. 31 as the final date for maturity inspection on grapefruit, tangerines and all oranges except Valencias and other late types for fresh shipment. These latter varieties must undergo maturity inspection until March 31. Maturity inspection on cannery fruit is not required after December 1.

Mrs. Claude Furr returned home Monday from Panama City, where she had been visiting her husband, Pvt. Furr, who is stationed there.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY.
HENRY WILLIAM WILD, PLAINTIFF,
VS.
LULA MAE WILD, DEFENDANT.
ORDER TO APPEAR
THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO LULA MAE WILD, DEFENDANT:

It is hereby ordered that you are required to appear on the first day of January, 1945, before the above entitled Court, in person or by attorney, to the bill of complaint filed against you, in which the plaintiff seeks a divorce from you, in the above entitled cause, and The Scenic Highlands Sun is hereby designated as the newspaper in which this order shall be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks.

Witness the Hon. D. O. Rogers as Judge of this Court and the Seal of this Court in the city of Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, this 17th day of November, 1944.

H. T. PIETY
(SEAL) Clerk, Circuit Court, Highlands, County, Florida,
By HELEN DESHONG
Deputy Clerk.
MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Avon Park, Florida.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JENNIE WAYCHOFF, DECEASED
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE
TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as executor of the estate of Jennie Waychoff, Deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Honorable THOMAS A. MCNICHOLAS, County Judge of HIGHLANDS county, Florida on the 27th day of December, 1944 for approval of the same and for final discharge as executor of the estate of Jennie Waychoff, deceased.

This 23rd day of November, 1944.
E. RAY WELLS
Executor of the Estate of Jennie Waychoff, Deceased.
MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LOUISA BANE, DECEASED.
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE
TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as administrator of the estate of Louisa Bane, deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Honorable THOS. A. McNICHOLAS, County Judge of HIGHLANDS county, Florida on the 27th day of December, 1944 for approval of the same and for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Louisa Bane, deceased.

This 23rd day of November, 1944.
PAUL L. RUMPSA,
Administrator of the Estate of LOUISA BANE, Deceased.
MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

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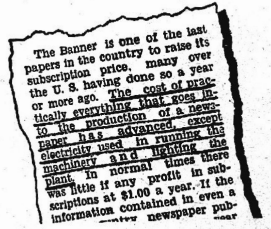
YOU get a pretty good view of the world from a small-town newspaper office. Sometimes you see things that other folks overlook. For instance, this frank statement by the editor of **The Dierks** (Arkansas) **Banner:**



The Banner is one of the last papers in the country to raise its subscription price, many over the U. S. having done so a year or more ago. The cost of practically everything that goes into the production of a newspaper has advanced, except electricity used in running the machinery and lighting the plant. In normal times there was little if any profit in subscriptions at $1.00 a year. If the information contained in even a country newspaper pub-

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THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929
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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

SGT. KERKLIN RETURNS

S/Sgt William T. Kerklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kerklin is home on leave, after 20 months in England, where he served as a B-17 waist gunner. Sgt. Kerklin was wounded on his first mission. He got a piece of flak in his ankle and it laid him up in a hospital for a month. While he was incapacitated, his crew was lost in a raid over Europe. When he made his third mission, he had his hands frostbitten, and went back to the hospital. This time, while he was laid up, his second crew cracked up in a fog against a hillside in England while flying to a rest center. Sgt. Kerklin feels the Lord was with him, and brother, he's going to be a good boy from now on. Between wounds and frost bites, he made some runs over Germany, France and Belgium which he said were "plenty hot." The army thought he had had enough and gave him the Purple Heart, a Presidential Unit Citation and sent him home. He says he is happy to be back in one piece.. His brother Pvt Lawrence Kerklin didn't have as much luck. He was with the Rangers in Italy, and was captured on January 29, 1943. Mrs. Kerklin received a letter from Lawrence Wednesday saying he was alive and well. Both boys went to school here from 1932 to '34, when the family moved to Live Oak, returning to Avon Park in 1940. The father, A. W. Kerklin is employed at Avon Florida Citrus Corporation.

RETURNS OVERSEAS

Capt. Wm. Winnishiek, who was with the army air forces in England for 17 months, and recently returned to the states for a leave, with his family, has returned overseas. Before leaving he was stationed at Atlanta City, N. J. During his absence, Mrs. Winnishiek and their young daughter, Sheryl are here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spatz.

IN THE MAIL BAG —

This department is in receipt of a letter today from Woodson Sadler, lieutenant in artillery, stationed in Italy. He says: "I've kinda lost touch with the home town since it has been impossible for the Sun to catch up with me. Speaking of the sun, I could use a little right now. It has been pretty muddy here in Italy, as you've probably gathered from the newspapers. But then I used to wade through mud to fish and hunt near Kissimmee river, so why should I complain now.

"I've met a number of fellows from Florida, but only one from Avon Park — Cecil Clements — also an artilleryman. In fact, he is about 50 feet from me now. Small world isn't it?"

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Pvt. Clair Park, who has been stationed at the Mississippi Ordnance Plant at Jackson, Miss., for two years, is home on furlough and is visiting his sister, Mrs. Leon Ragsdale and family. He will return to Camp Shelby, Miss., for further assignment.

Vernon Morgan, seaman 1/c, U. S. Navy, who hasn't been home for over a year, has been spending a well deserved leave here with his family. Seaman Morgan, whose latest trip with the navy has been in the African theatre of war, has two battle stars.

Seaman 1/c Jack Williams, U. S. Navy, is taking special training at the Norfolk Naval Training Station for 14 weeks, after which he will go back to his ship. Jack won't be able to get home for Christmas, as he only has three days off at that time.

James Troy Wells, MM 2/c, U. S. Navy, son of Mrs. Lucy Blum, and brother of Garvice Wells, has visited the grave of Lt. (Coach) Rowe in Guam, he writes his mother and brother.

Pvt. Howard Wray of Camp Blanding, spent Sunday here with his family.

First Sgt. Ora B. Clark with the medical corps, and Pfc. Edward J. Clark, with his field artillery group, sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Clark are now both on duty with the armed forces in England.

T/Sgt. E. C. (Bud) Clark, who has been in a government hospital in Thomasville, Ga., since his return from New Guinea, where he was stationed as a meterologist for 10 months, returned home this week for a visit. His wife, Mrs. Estelle Clark joined him in Thomasville and returned here with him. He will leave December 29 for Miami for reassignment.

Legion, Auxiliary To Provide Gifts to Hospital Patients

All patients in the Station Hospital at Avon Park Army Air Field will receive Christmas gifts provided by the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary.

The gifts have been made available by the public, the program having the approval of the surgeon generals of the Army and Navy and the American Red Cross.

Lt. Col. Harold W. Kohl, post surgeon, said that the hospital staff will distribute locally the "Gifts for Yanks Who Gave."

REVIVAL SERVICES AT WHITE CITY CAMP

Revival services will begin Sunday, Dec. 10 at the White City Camp, located on Lake Isis on No. 8 highway, according to Rev. J. E. Armstrong, pastor. Services and special music each evening at 7:30.

Avon Park Buys Over $200,000 6th Loan Bonds

According to latest figures, Avon Park has bought $216,179.68 worth of bonds in the sixth war loan drive, Chairman R. R. Brown told the Sun today. The breakdown shows the Barnett Bank sold $165,525.00; Avon Park Army Air Field, $45,725.00; and the post office, $4,929.68. Sales are based on maturity value of bonds. Avon Park's quota is $300,000.

S. F. Longbottom of the bank reports that only $57,875.00 worth of Series E bonds were sold by the bank, stressing the fact that an extra effort will have to be made to fill the series E quota, which is about one-third of the total quota. The drive continues through December 16.

The bond rally on the Mall Saturday night went off as scheduled, and $27,000 worth of bonds were sold on the spot. Cool weather kept the crowd indoors, but good results were obtained. Lt. Aaron Druckman of APAAF made an inspiring address, and did much to create interest in the rally.

Kenneth Arnold, manager of Pine Crest Club, turned in a report at the rally showing that owners, employees and officers of Pine Crest had purchased 100 per cent in the drive. The new Pine Crest owners are H. C. Wright, chairman of the board of the Chicago Flexible Shaft Co., and Mark Tompson, of Boston.

Fish and Gamers Will Stage Fishing Contest January 14

Something new has been added. In the midst of our trouble and travail, the Fish and Game association reaches down in the bag and comes up with a fishing contest. It seems the boys are not doing enough fishing — or not catching enough fish, or something. So the membership decided at their fish fry Thursday night (salt water fish which they bought) that the thing needed to bolster their morale is to catch bigger and better fish. And right here let it be said that a lot of tired business men on Main street will gladly fall in with the idea.

So, here's the big chance. It was decided that the second Sunday in January, which falls on the 14th, is to be B-Day, and prizes will be awarded for (1) the largest fish, preferably bass, and (2) the heaviest string caught in the day's fishing. Brisco Willis, Cap Bigbie and Milford Dilley were appointed to draw up the rules and regulations which will be divulged at the next regular meeting of the association, January 4.

Another feature of the next meeting will be the annual election of officers.

One thing definitely decided upon about the fishing contest: All the fish that are caught will be brought back to the club grounds and the members will "eat the catch" for supper.. And that should bring out the membership!

Twenty-Two White Men Leave Dec. 14 For Camp Blanding

Twenty-two white men from Highlands county will report to Camp Blanding on December 14, for pre-induction physical examination.

These men are: Willard Johnson, Earl Bryant, Jack Julion Eugene Elder, Thomas Osbin Thompson, William Martin Renfro, Alvin Orlando Knowles, and Claude Elmer Thompson, Avon Park; W. C. Waldron, Jr., Willie Whitlock, Thomas Marion Griffin, Robert Rich Ingle, Clyde J. Wise, Sebring; Tilton Isaih Wells, Fletcher Joseph Simpson, Julian Rose Reynolds, Jessie James Edgeman, Lake Placid; Ellis Harold Stacey, DeSoto City; Ira Porter Simmons, Millville; Clifford Welch, Bowling Green; Shirley Parker Daughtry, Wauchula; Lewis Hoyt Ritter, Lakeland; James Estabrooks Smith, Ft. Lauderdale.

Soldier Awarded Good Conduct Medal at Army Air Field

Pfc. Harold J. Trierweiler, of Marshfield, Wisc., was awarded today the Good Conduct Medal at Avon Park Army Air Field, a final phase training base for Flying Fortress combat crews. The award is exemplary of an excellent rating for conduct and character for at least one year's service in the armed forces.

Avon Park's honored soldier is an ambulance driver. Prior to entering the service at Fort Sheridan, Ill., on January 13, 1943, he was employed with the Trierweiler Bros. Ice and Fuel Company, Marshfield.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Trierweiler, make their home in Marshfield, and his wife, Mrs. Pauline Trierweiler, resides at 18 N Prospect Ave, Avon Park.

Two Avon Park Men Take Part in Winter Offensive

Sixth Army Group, France — Eighty-six days and nights of combat — from the beaches of Southern France to the wet, treacherous hills of the Vosges Mountains on the Seventh Army front — has given the 2nd Battalion of the 157th Regiment, 45th Division, little time to reflect back upon other days and nights of battle. Sicily, Salerno, Italy, Anzio — where the going was just as tough — is paying off in dividends of experience. Lessons it has learned in previous campaigns are giving the Germans plenty of bad news in Eastern France, where they are slowly being pushed back to their border.

Pvt. James Ellis Elder and Pvt. Oliver B. Hood of Avon Park are listed as members of the 2nd Battalion, 157th Regiment in a special release to the Sun from Sixth Army Group headquarters.

In the Sicilian operation, as an assault battalion of the 157th Regiment, it encountered the Germans for the first time. Working in close harmony with its sister battalions, it participated in the Battle of Bloody Ridge, helping to clear a vital road to Messina of 300 entrenched Germans.

Salerno found the 2nd Battalion battling on the beaches, slugging it out with Kraut armor and infantry. In the drive to the Volturno River, it did commendable work in knocking out road-blocks and by pushing the enemy northward. After 72 days of front-line duty, it was relieved with other units of the 157th, to prepare for the Anzio landing.

In a desperate effort to split the Allied Forces on the Anzio Beachhead, the Germans threw the weight of their men and armor into the sector held by the 2nd Battalion. Referred to as the Battle of the Caves — the regimental command post and most of the battalion were entrenched in the rocky caves there — it held tenaciously to its position for six days in the face of blistering attacks. Pin-point accuracy of American artillery finally broke up the onslaught. For its heroic stand, the battalion received a Presidential citation.

With the 157th Regiment, the battalion landed in Southern France on D-day, capturing 1,100 prisoners and forcing its way inland about 70 miles during the first six days of action.

Devils' Chatter High School Paper Issued Dec. 20

"Devils' Chatter," high school mimeographed newspaper, will put in its first appearence December 20. The six-page publication, devoted to school activities will be written and edited by a well chosen group of students from each department in the high school, and also a reporter from junior high.

Alice Puryear is editor-in-chief; Marie Basemore, managing editor; Bette Hill, copy editor, Jack Rogers, news editor; Barbara Bridges, business manager; Morris Suggs, sports editor; Somy Hagan, assistant sports editor; Bessie Lou Myer, social editor; Evelyn Scott, joke editor; Jerry Connell, Roger Sappington, Mary Elizabeth Hall, and Helen Bradbury, typists; James Perdue, senior reporter; Henry Wingate, junior reporter; Voncile Johns, sophomore reporter; Julia Nader, freshmen reporter, and John Post, junior high reporter.

Sarasota AAF Trims AP Cagers in Opening Tilt

Avon Park Army Air Field's cage five lost a nip and tuck battle 34-36 Wednesday night to Sarasota AAF in the initial game of the Florida West Coast basketball conference.

The encounter was close and hotly contested from the starting whistle, the lead changing with machine gun rapidity. Sarasota held a three point advantage at halftime — 17-14.

Scoring was evenly divided with Smith, Avon Park center, marking up nine counters while Sarasota's guard Moros led the winners with eight tallies.

Box score follows:

SARASOTA — 36	FG	FT	TP
Vanderhoof, f	2	0	4
Schmitt, f	3	1	7
Hawkins, f	1	1	3
Campbell, c	2	1	5
Geist, c	1	0	2
Brocuk, g	2	3	7
Moros, g	4	0	8
Hickman, g	0	0	0
Totals	15	6	36

AVON PARK — 34	FG	FT	TP
Fisher, f	3	2	8
Donohue, f	4	0	8
Smith, c	2	5	9
Leo, g	3	1	7
Swansiger, g	0	1	1
Nelson, g	0	1	1
Larson, g	0	0	0
Dressler, g	0	0	0
Totals	12	10	34

Referee: Klymkow of Avon Park.
Umpire: Huntington of Avon Park

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Municipal Airport Again Open to Flying

Upon termination of Army activities of Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, the city of Avon Park has once again taken over the facilities of the Municipal Airport, under the supervision and management of R. G. Herring, former flight commander at Lodwick.

Acting as adviser for the City, and operating a flying school and charter service in Avon Park, Mr. Herring intends to offer as many aviation facilities as possible at this time, for the public's convenience.

Supplementing the staff of Avon Flying Services are men such as E. F. Singleton and Ross Robertson. Singleton has not only been active in aviation for the past 20 years, but has held a valid commercial and instructors rating for that time, and is considered one of the most thorough and conscientious instructors in the profession. Robertson, formerly with Lodwick, started his flying career in 1935 and was instrumental in forming the organization that was the predecessor of the Civil Air Patrol.

Mr. Herring, having been with Lodwick since the school was started in Avon Park, says he has decided to remain here the rest of his natural life. Associated with Aviation for the past fifteen years, he has made a hobby as well as profession in flight instruction analysis. Former activities include: Assign and rebuilding of aircraft, airport operation, racing, cross country, and instructional work in all phases of Civil Pilot Training and Army Primary flying.

Avon Park Lags In Sale of Christmas Seals

Sebring is leading Avon Park at the end of the first week in the annual sale of Tuberculosis Seals, according to a report from the office of the executive secretary. This is said to be the first time since the Seal sales were first begun that Avon Park has not led in the sales.

Receipts from Avon Park at the close of the first week of the drive, which began on November 27, were $468.00; Sebring's total for the week was $744.68. Receipts from DeSoto City were $17.00.

Letters containing seals have been sent to officer personnel at the Avon Park Army Air Field by Mrs. G. P. Thayer, local chairman, and at Hendricks Field, sales are being conducted at the PX by non-commissioned officers club. Street sales are being conducted in Avon Park and Sebring by the Woman's Club in each city. Children are making their contributions through the purchase of "bangle pins" in the schools of the county.

Boy Scouts Have Organized Drive to Collect Paper

At the Scout meeting last Monday Scoutmaster R. E. Maysack appointed six captains who, with the help of their teams, will list the names of people who will cooperate in the collecting of waste paper which is needed for war purposes. They will arrange, wherever possible, to have tied up bundles of newspapers, magazines, and cartons left at some convenient place in their neighborhood to be collected by trucks.

The captains and their districts are:

North of Main St.

1. Glenn Reeder — West of railroad tracks.
2. Billy McGuire — Between N. Lake Ave and railroad tracks.
3. Ted Ward — East of N. Lake Ave.

South of Main St.

4. Eldred Bass — West of S. Central Ave.
5. Edgar Rutherford — Between S. Lake Ave. and S. Central Ave.
6. Glenn Whitcomb — East of S. Lake Ave.

Tied up bundles may be left in the Scout Hall, 81 S. Forrest Ave.

Nursery School Can Be Re-Opened With 20 Enrollees

The Avon Park Nursery School sponsored by the federal government and county school board was discontinued a few weeks ago due to the fact that the enrollment dropped below the twenty children required to operate.

This Nursery School can be re-opened just as soon as an attendance of 20 children is assured.

Any one interested, having pre-school children, should get in touch with Mrs. Ruth Schild, 205 South Lake Avenue, Avon Park, former principal of the Nursery School, or J. Paul Garber, Avon Park member of the County School Board.

Fitz Williams, Pioneer Cattleman, Dies in Sebring

Fitz Hugh Williams, 74, one of the biggest independent cattle raisers in Florida died Tuesday at his home in Sebring. He was the father of Mrs. D. G. Perry, Avon Park. Funeral services were held at 3:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the Crewsville cemetery, with Col. F. N. K. Bailey, officiating.

Surviving relatives, beside the daughter here, include his widow, Mrs. Sally Williams, and the following children, John W. Williams, Brighton, Zibe and Fitz Hugo Williams, Jr., of Okeechobee, Mrs. Elbert Scarborough of Wauchula, Mrs. Charles C. Bever, Tampa, and Mrs. Joseph A. Craig, Sebring; one brother, Fred Williams, Glenrose, Texas; a half brother, Henry Elwell, Dallas, Texas; a sister, Mrs. Trixana Jack, Dallas, Texas, and 11 grandchildren.

From the Sebring News, we quote:

Mr. Williams who turned from building construction to cattle raising owned about 100,000 acres in Highlands, Okeechobee and Glades counties, known as the 101 Ranch. He assisted in its management until his death.

Mr. Williams, who was born in Rome, Ga., had the distinction of building the first brick structures in South Florida. Leaving home at the age of 17 years, he settled first in Punta Gorda, where as an architect and contractor, he built a hotel. Later, he constructed another hotel at Boca Grande. He also built the DeSoto county court house at Arcadia and the now Barnett bank at Avon Park. He began his apprenticeship as a bricklayer in the construction of the Georgia capitol at Atlanta.

Following his marriage to the former Miss Sally Collier, of Crewsville in 1892, Mr. Williams became interested in the cattle business in which his wife's family were among the leaders of this section. Eventually he devoted all his time to that industry, making his headquarters at Crewsville until he and Mrs. Williams moved to Sebring about 10 years ago.

Avon Park Has Two Places on All-Ridge Squad

Avon Park High School gained two places on the All-Ridge squad this year, according to an announcement made by Ridge Conference officials this week. Fred Montsdeoca, halfback, and Sonny Hagan, left end, were the two selections for Avon Park.

Montsdeoca played every game of the season without substitution. He did all the kicking for the Red Devils and established himself as one of the best punters in the conference. His punts in the last two games were off their usual distance, but exceptional distance in other games brought his average to about thirty-five yards, which is unusual in high school football. When called upon to pass, he could perform with better than average ability although passing is not his strong point. His deceptive running was climaxed in the Mulberry game when he ran eighty-five yards for a touchdown. He scored twenty-five points for the season.

Hagan probably was the best all round end in the Conference this year. His offensive play was brilliant. He caught two passes for touchdowns and completed passes to him accounted for the largest amount of yardage gained by any one player. J. C. Walker's excellent passing aided him greatly in this respect.. Hagan's defensive alertness made opposing quarterbacks hesitate before running plays around his end. There were many times when he tackled backs behind their line of scrimmage.

Avon Park won five games and lost five for the season. The Red Devils scored 135 points against their opponents 137. No team was able to keep the Devils from crossing their goal line and in all but two games the Devils scored at least two touchdowns.

Considering the handicaps, Coach Ed Carter turned out a good team. At least twenty-five boys were lost off the squad for injuries, leaving town or ineligibilities. With the exception of Edward Edge, fullback, the entire backfield will be back next year. Ed Sturdivant, Donald Moore and Coolidge Knowles will graduate this year and will not be back. Arthur Powell and Jack Williams will be 18 before next season and it is expected that they will be called into the armed service of our country.

The scoring for the season is as follows:

J. C. Walker, 28; Fred Montsdeoca, 25; T. F. Hunt, 25; Edward Edge, 15; Sonny Hagan, 12; Robert Bovard, 12; Frank Camp, 6; Coolidge Knowles, 6; Henry Foster, 6.

PTA THURSDAY, DEC. 14

The December meeting of the PTA will be held Thursday afternoon, Dec. 14 at 3:30 o'clock in the elementary building. A delightful Christmas play by the two third grades will be the highlight of the meeting. All members and parents are urged to attend.

— Publicity Chairman

Oh, for goodness sake, use both hands," cried the pretty girl in the auto.

"I can't," "I have to steer with one."

MAJOR HAROLD McCLELLAND

Major McClelland Home for Christmas, After 275 Missions

Major Harold M. McClelland is home from the Southwest Pacific, where he has been fighting Japs as a member of the Fifth Air Force fighter group for nearly three years. He landed in the states November 22, and is home for Christmas with his mother, Mrs. J. H. McClelland. After a visit here he will go on to Miami for reassignment.

Major McClelland, better known to Avonians as "Buck" when he was a member of the Red Devil squad a few years ago, has had an outstanding career. Arriving early in the combat zone, he has flown the amazing total of 275 missions as a fighter pilot. He is officially credited with shooting down three Jap planes over New Guinea and vicinity, where he was stationed the greater part of his time. He has been squadron commander of his outfit for the past year, and his last assignment was on the island of Halmahara.

For his nearly three year's work, Major McClelland won the Distinguished Flying Cross, with an oak leaf, and has the Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters.

McClelland quit college in March 1941 and enlisted in the air corps. While still a civilian, he took the CAA courses in Tampa and Miami. He received his primary army training at Albany, Ga., and finished at Maxwell Field.

Not the least among the virtues of our returned pilots is the modesty with which they dismiss their part in the war. Major McClelland could think of nothing spectacular about his experiences. Bombing and strafing up and down the Pacific from New Guinea to the outskirts of Japan, participating in all sorts of engagements over both land and sea, his experiences, according to his version, were "just ordinary." He did say that he had never been shot down — or shot up either, and that many pilots in his outfit including himself had come through without a scratch.

Employees Must File Exemption Certificates Now

Both employers and employees were reminded today by John L. Fahs, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Florida district, that all employees should file new Withholding Exemption Certificates with their employers by December 1.

Required by the new Individual Income Tax Act of 1944, these certificates, known as Form W-4 (Rev. 1944). will list employee's exemptions, and will aid employers in figuring how much income tax to withhold from wages under the new withholding tables which becomes effective on January 1.

Form W-4 and also a small pamphlet, "Your Withholding Exemptions" distributed at the same time, give the employee necessary information as to how to count exemptions.

Failure to file a new Withholding Exemption Certificate will mean that the employer will withhold tax from wages without allowing any exemptions. Certificates now in effect will not be used after December 31, 1944. The new certificates become effective with the first payment of wages after January 1, 1945.

Evangelist Will Close Services at Assembly of God

Evangelist Johnnie Bercaw will close a two-weeks revival campaign Sunday evening at the Assembly of God church. There will be an old time baptism service at the church Sunday afternoon at 3:00. The Sunday evening service will begin at 8:00. The public is cordially invited to attend the Sunday services.

ATTEND STATE MEETING

Mrs. Anna Belle Worden, secretary of the chamber of commerce, represented Avon Park at a meeting of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce in Tampa Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

City Air Port On List For Federal Aid

Avon Park will benefit to the tune of $232,250 for construction and improvements to the municipal airport if the billion-dollar post-war program goes through for airport improvement which has been recommended to congress by the Civil Aeronautics administration. According to a Washington AP story Florida will get $26,134,50 for airport improvements under the recommendation.

Sebring, which has scant airport facilities, is down for $353,-500. Wauchula would get $159,-250. Arcadia is listed at $271,250; Haines City, 156,350, Lake Wales, $112,500; Lakeland, $353,700; Bartow, $80,000; Clewiston, $369,000, just to mention a few neighboring towns which would benefit by the program.

The CAA proposes building 3050 new airports and improving 1625 existing fields — including clearing, grading, paving, lighting and radio facilities.

Financing of the undertaking by the federal and state governments on matching funds basis over a period of five to 10 years is proposed. The Avon Park chapter of NAA has gone on record as favoring a tax on aviation gasoline. But there is considerable opposition from airlines and others to the proposed tax. It is about the only source of revenue from which state funds could be derived to match federal money, in the opinion of local aviation men.

The program involves five classes of airports, as follows: Class 1, designed primarily for private flying; Class 2, suitable for feeder airlines and private flying; Class 3, suitable present-day twin-engine planes; Class 4, suitable for four-engine and other large planes, and Class 5, designed for long-range domestic and foreign operations.

Florida Orphanage Needs Donations For Christmas

Scores of utterly destitute, orphan, homeless and needy little Florida children under the care of the Children's Home Society of Florida, "Florida's Greatest Charity," are earnestly pleading for Christmas toys, dolls, games and goodies for Christmas Day; in fact, they are counting definitely on the State Superintendent, Marcus C. "Daddy" Fagg, who has been serving the Home Society and its homeless little ones for the past 34 years (over 50,000 of them) to find a way to answer their Christmas letters to Santa Claus, and "Daddy" Fagg does not want to disappoint even one needy child, and is therefore sending out this urgent appeal for donations of money, foodstuffs of every kind, toys, games, dolls, goodies and children's wearables of every kind and size.

Even the smallest contribution will be of tremendous help, and will be greatly appreciated. All contributions of money should be sent to the Treasurer of the Society (for the past 38 years) Mr. R. V. Covington, 403 Consolidated Building, Jacksonville, and all articles other than cash will be warmly welcomed at any one of the Home Society's five Children's Homes located in Jacksonville, South Jacksonville, Miami, Lakeland and Pensacola.

"Daddy" Fagg is eager and anxious to secure enough money to provide not only toys, dolls and goodies for every homeless child, but wants to give these children in all five homes a real Christmas dinner with all the trimmings, and hopes to be able to provide each little youngster a new suit or dress, shoes, sweater, bedroom slippers, underwear, stockings and raincoat.

This is a big order, but if every one reading this article will send in even a dollar or two, every child under the care of the Society will be bountifully provided for, and will be assured of a gloriously happy Christmas Day.

W. J. Fitzgerald Assistant Director Avon Park USO

W. J. Fitzgerald of New York City, arrived in Avon Park this week to serve as temporary assistant director of the U. S. O. Mr. Fitzgerald is a graduate of Notre Dame University, and was a candidate for doctorate at the University of Wisconsin, and was also a member of the staff of the university. Previous to his association with the USO, he was with the army specialized training program at the U. S. Armed Forces Institute in Madison, Wisconsin. He received his USO training at Columbia University during the period of Sept. 13 to Oct. 3. He was first with the USO at New Orleans, then Mobile, Ala., and Tallahassee, and for the past six weeks has been with the organization at Key West.

BUY WAR BONDS WITH THAT EXTRA CASH!

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Nazi Defenses Crack in West; Batter Japs' Industrial Belt; OPA to Tighten Price Control

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

(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.)

Waving white flag, German troops surrender to doughboys on Aachen front during Allied offensive.

PACIFIC:
Hit Jap Heart

As U. S. troops punched forward on Leyte island in the Philippines, with a driving rainstorm slapping them in the face, huge B-29 superfortresses blasted the great industrial district in Tokyo feeding enemy armies all along the far-flung Pacific front.

Flying from newly established bases in the recently conquered Marianas, 1,500 miles to the southeast, the B-29s took the first crack at Tokyo since Lieutenant General Doolittle's carrier - based medium bombers raided the Japanese capital in the spring of 1942. Successful development of the B-29 attacks would imperil the major portion of enemy industry, concentrated in the Tokyo district.

Speaking of the operation, U. S. air chieftain, General H. H. Arnold, declared: "The battle for Japan has been joined . . . (it) will be carried on relentlessly . . . until the day of land-sea invasion. . . ."

Although enemy resistance on Leyte continued stiff, U. S. forces continued their encircling advances, with General MacArthur stating that our superior artillery and infantry firepower was cutting deeply into Japanese strength, which had been feverishly reinforced in an effort to hold up the Yank drive.

As a result of persistent U. S. attacks, the enemy has been unable to concentrate his forces on Leyte for counter-attacks, General MacArthur said, rather being compelled to throw in his troops here and there in an effort to check the U. S. offensive.

STABILIZATION:
To Hold Prices, Wages

With living costs already estimated at 30 per cent above January, 1941, levels, OPAdministrator Chester Bowles moved to check recent small price increases, especially in clothing and textiles.

Vigorous action to halt further advances was seen as part of the government's indicated policy of retaining the disputed "Little Steel" wage formula, under which pay boosts have been kept within 15 per cent of January, 1941, levels.

Because of the permissible 15 per cent wage raises, plus large overtime earnings, it has been felt that workers' weekly incomes have balanced price increases. But with further rises in living costs threatening that balance, the government was expected to press hard to maintain present price levels.

Although the National War Labor board's recent findings that living costs have gone up 30 per cent since January, 1941, was expected to bolster the CIO and AFL's campaign for wage increases over the 15 per cent limit of the "Little Steel" formula, the government has shown no inclination to give in to their demands.

On the other hand, it has been suggested, with the President's favor, that as long as overtime earnings are being paid, current wage rates be retained. With a trim-off to the 40-hour week, however, it has been proposed that wages be boosted to allow workers to "take home" the same average income as they now do.

Under such a plan, workers would get about a 30 per cent raise in pay, thus assuring a continued high purchasing power with a resultant stimulation of employment.

As part of its program to maintain the present cost level, OPA was expected to take a firmer stand on manufacturers' requests for higher prices.

EUROPE:
Big Crack

First German lines to crumble during the Allies' big fall offensive along a 460-mile front in the west were on the southern end, where the Nazi 19th army, under steady U. S. and French pressure, was told to abandon equipment, break into small groups and beat it back, as best it could, to the Reich border.

Indicative of the crack in the enemy's lines was the French 1st army's break through the Belfort Gap, and its swing northward up the Rhine in a maneuver designed to trap some 70,000 Germans who had been holding the Vosges mountain passes to the west.

The rapid French dash was followed by the U. S. 7th army's smash through the Saverne pass in the Vosges 50 miles to the north, which had the effect of forming a nutcracker squeeze on enemy forces caught between the two pincers.

Only enemy rearguards retarded the U. S. and French maneuver, but the Germans profited from the murky weather, which prevented the superior Allied air force from rising in full strength to smash the knots of Nazi troops beating their way eastward to the Rhine.

In an effort to extricate the bulk of his 19th army, Col. Gen. Johannes Blaskowitz assembled all kinds of boats and barges to transport troops unable to move across the Rhine on stationary bridges.

Heinrich Himmler (foreground) inspects fanatical SS troops on western front.

Although less spectacular, news from other sectors of the winding battle-front was good, with General Patton's 3rd army probing into the coal-laden Saar basin east of Metz, and the U. S. 1st and 9th and the British 2nd armies maintaining their terrific pressure on German defenses east of Aachen. Even though the Allies were throwing masses of men and material at them all along the 460-mile front, the Germans expected still another drive, this one in northeastern Holland, where they said the British planned to drive around the anchor of the Siegfried line at Kleve down into the Ruhr valley.

Best description of the fighting about Aachen was provided by this Thanksgiving report from the battlefront:

"For Lieutenant General Hodges' 1st and Lieutenant General Simpson's 9th and the British 2nd armies, knee-deep in mud in heavy battles, this day at the approaches to the Ruhr and Rhineland was hard and bitter slugging, yard by yard."

German plan was to slow up the big Allied drive by wearing down U. S. and British strength, and toward this end, the enemy launched repeated counter-attacks with his new King Tiger tanks.

As the Allied troops advanced, they found Nazis in the forward defense positions of inferior quality, the German plan apparently being to save their best for a last desperate fight along the main line.

In the east, bad weather interfered with the Russians drive upon Budapest, and the broad Hungarian plains leading to the gateway to Austria.

GI Railroaders Follow Troops

Unsung, but nevertheless of vital importance, are the army railroad men, helping supply the advancing U. S. forces on world fronts.

"These troops are scattered all over the world," said Brig. Gen. A. F. McIntyre, chief of the army rail division. "They are in New Guinea, Alaska, New Caledonia, England, France, Italy, Iran and India. They also supported the invasion in Africa where the Moroccan railways had been barely able to support the domestic economy of the country."

Trained troops of the Military Railway service are all in service overseas, General McIntyre said. In addition to operating and shop battalions, he explained, miscellaneous units, such as mobile workshops, hospital - train maintenance crews, base depot companies, and transportation companies, total 105 Military Railway service units containing about 2,000 officers and 42,000 enlisted men.

MEAT:
1945 Prospects

More veal, about the same amount of beef, but 15 per cent less pork—that's the meat prospect for 1945, the War Food administration revealed.

The continued stringency in beef will continue because 31 per cent of the supply will go to the armed forces, it was said.

Increased supplies of better grade beef were in prospect for domestic consumers, with reports that midwestern farmers were aggressive buyers of stockers for fattening, what with feed stocks at high levels. Much of the beef on sale this year was of the utility type coming from grass-fed range cattle.

Meanwhile, cattle slaughter remained heavy during October, with an all-time record of 1,450,572 beef animals put on the block, along with 919,599 calves. The total of 4,223,255 hogs butchered was 1 per cent below the 5 year average.

Farm Income

U. S. farm income has continued its rise in 1944, with the department of agriculture now figuring that the total return for the year will run to over 20½ billion dollars for the nation's 6,000,000 operators.

The USDA's estimates were based on cash marketing and government benefit income of 14½ billion dollars for the first nine months of this year, a little less than a billion dollars more than for the corresponding period in 1943.

Combined with steady debt reduction, wise utilization of the farm plant without undue expansion and the accumulation of large liquid resources, the continued high income further strengthened the farmers' position for the uncertain postwar period.

Thieving Craze

Latest of the wartime juvenile problems to plague authorities was a shop-lifting spree among 'teen-aged "bobby-sock" girls in Portland, Ore.

Carried on by girls stealing for personal use rather than resale, the spree reached alarming proportions, with losses so heavy in one big department store that auditors first thought there must have been a bookkeeping error in the amount of merchandise originally listed.

One 12-year-old was caught with $150 worth of sweaters, beads and bracelets. A 17-year-old said she had stolen $700 worth of goods in seven months for her sailor sweetheart.

Sobbed one tearful culprit: "I guess it is stealing, only I didn't think of it that way. It was an adventure sort of. The other girls were doing it."

CHINA:
Japs' Progress

Even as Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek shook up his government to revitalize the Chinese war effort, and Donald Nelson arrived in Chungking with a group of steel and alcohol experts to build up war production, the Japanese tightened their hold on the whole eastern coastal section of the country.

Object of the Japanese drive, which covered 750 miles in six months, was to eliminate the bases of the 14th American air force, whose planes had harried enemy ground forces, shot up communications and ranged a-sea to blast coastal shipping.

The shift in Chiang's government followed the row over giving Gen. Joe Stilwell command of Chinese forces to stimulate their prosecution of the war after it was hinted that the Generalissimo was using much of the army for the preservation of his own political party against the encroachment of the Communists.

Nelson's return to Chungking followed a previous visit during which studies were undertaken as to what kind of industrial development would fit into Allied aid to help the Chinese war effort.

SAVINGS:
Well Heeled

What with total savings estimated at $100,000,000,000, Americans should find themselves able to meet a short period of adversity in the postwar world.

Of the huge amount of savings, $36,883,000,000 are in war bonds, it was revealed. About 81,000,000 people, or 60 per cent of the population, held these securities in comparison with about 25 per cent in World War I.

Next to war bonds, bank and postal savings deposits constitute the largest source of savings at over $36,000,000,000. Of this amount, over $34,000,000,000 were in bank deposits held by about 33 per cent of the people.

Life insurance forms the third largest source of savings, what with 50 per cent of the people paying in over $33,000,000,000 on their policies, it was revealed.

COTTON EXPORTS

With cotton exports down to an average of 1,235,000 bales for the four crop seasons from 1941 to 1944, the trade looked to the recently invoked War Food administration export subsidy program for possible increased shipments.

Estimates as to the amount that might be sold under the WFA's new program varied, with the volume of shipments depending upon the availability of cargo space, it was agreed. Exports have been lowest since the Civil war.

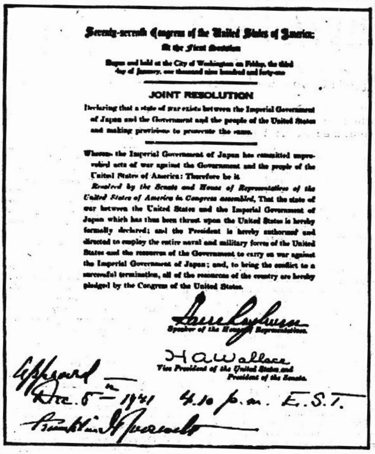
When War Came to the United States

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

IT WAS on a Sunday morning three years ago that war came again to the United States.

The story of that "day of infamy," when Japan made her sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, is too fresh in the minds of all Americans to need retelling here. But how many of us know of those other tragic days when were made the fateful decisions which meant that more American lives were to be sacrificed on the altar of Mars?

This article is a page from the past which tells how war came to America in other years before 1941.



Seventy-seventh Congress of the United States of America;
At the First Session

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Friday, the third day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one

JOINT RESOLUTION

Declaring that a state of war exists between the Imperial Government of Japan and the Government and the people of the United States and making provisions to prosecute the same.

Whereas the Imperial Government of Japan has committed unprovoked acts of war against the Government and the people of the United States of America: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the state of war between the United States and the Imperial Government of Japan which has thus been thrust upon the United States is hereby formally declared; and the President is hereby authorized and directed to employ the entire naval and military forces of the United States and the resources of the Government to carry on war against the Imperial Government of Japan; and, to bring the conflict to a successful termination, all of the resources of the country are hereby pledged by the Congress of the United States.

Sam Rayburn
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

H A Wallace
Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.

Approved Dec. 8 1941 4.10 p.m. E.S.T.
Franklin D Roosevelt

The first war which we, as a nation, waged was an "undeclared war," that is to say, there was never any formal declaration of war. As a matter of fact, we weren't even a nation when it started.

The American Revolution began as a rebellion—the revolt of the English colonies in America against their mother country, England. It continued as a rebellion and as a civil war — Patriots against the Loyalists and the regularly constituted authorities — for nearly a year before we became a nation. For the United States of America did not come into existence until July 4, 1776, when the Declaration of Independence was adopted.

In the meantime there had been fighting and bloodshed—at Lexington on April 19, 1775; at Concord, where was "fired the shot heard 'round the world," on the same day; at Bunker Hill on June 17 and at Quebec in December. For six years this "undeclared war" dragged on until, at last, the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown on October 19, 1781, meant that the independence, declared five years earlier, was an accomplished fact.

However, this didn't mean the end of the war, which was destined to last for nearly two years more. It wasn't until November 30, 1782, that the preliminary articles of peace between Great Britain and the United States were signed in Paris; two more months were to elapse before articles proclaiming the cessation of hostilities between the two nations were signed on January 20, 1783; and it wasn't until September 3, 1783, that the definitive treaty of peace was signed in Paris. Thus this "undeclared war" had lasted for eight years, four months and fifteen days, making it the longest in our history.

During the next 20 years we were involved in two more "undeclared wars," both of which brought fighting and bloodshed. The first was with our former ally, France, and was the result of the humiliation and insults which our envoys in Paris had suffered at the hands of the Directory and the attempt of Talleyrand to blackmail us into buying France's friendship. Although there was no formal declaration of war, Pres. John Adams ordered commerce with France stopped in 1798 and our treaties with her abrogated. Then our infant navy put to sea to prey upon French shipping and for the next 18 months there was considerable naval warfare, marked by the victories of the frigate "Constellation" over French men-of-war. When Napoleon Bonaparte came to power, he immediately took steps to stop the conflict and in September, 1800, a convention was signed in Paris which ended this "war."

Meanwhile American shipping, like that of other nations, had been suffering from the raids of the Barbary pirates in the Mediterranean and, despite tribute paid to the bey of Algiers, the pasha of Tripoli and the bey of Tunis, American vessels were being seized and American seamen held prisoners until ransomed. When Thomas Jefferson became president in 1801 he resolved to put an end to this early-day racket.

The first two naval expeditions against the pirates failed but in 1803 when Commodore Edward Preble sailed against the corsairs it was a different story. His expedition against Tangiers, the daring attack of Lieut. Stephen Decatur on Tripoli the next year and the combined naval and military expedition — the latter led by Gen. William Eaton—which captured Derna in 1805 broke the power of the Barbary states and resulted in treaties which guaranteed the future safety of American shipping in the Mediterranean.

The remainder of Jefferson's administration was peaceful but by the time James Madison entered the White House, the second war with England was brewing. For the first time in our history there was a formal declaration of war—on June 18, 1812. For the first time, too, our shores were invaded by a hostile force and on August 24, 1814, Americans suffered the humiliation of seeing the capital of their nation in the hands of the enemy and the home of their president in flames.

Despite this disaster which came as the climax of other defeats on land—offset, however, by many a brilliant victory at sea — America continued the struggle which ended on December 24 of that year when the treaty of peace was signed in Ghent, Belgium, by representatives of the two belligerents. This war had lasted two years, six months and six days.

The next war with a foreign power was even shorter than the War of 1812. When the United States annexed Texas in 1845, Mexico (from whom Texas had won her independence nine years earlier) regarded this as a hostile act. There was a series of "incidents" down on the Rio Grande and Pres. James K. Polk asked congress for a declaration of war. It came on May 13, 1846, and 10 days later Mexico declared war on the United States. Hostilities began soon afterwards, our armies under General Taylor and General Scott invaded Mexico and within a little more than a year (September 14, 1847) they had captured the Mexican capital. The war ended with the signing of a treaty of peace on February 2, 1848 — one year, eight months and twenty days after it began.

APRIL 2, 1917 — Pres. Woodrow Wilson reads his war message to congress.

The next war in which we engaged was another "undeclared war" for, like its predecessor, it was a "rebellion" and a "civil" war. Just when the War Between the States began is a matter of definition.

The usual view is that it was April 12, 1861, when Confederate batteries in Charleston, S. C., fired on Fort Sumter and the Union troops in that fortification fired back. At any rate, it was this act which prompted President Lincoln three days later to call for volunteers to "suppress the insurrection" and which resulted in four years of the hardest and bloodiest fighting the world had ever known up to that time. Just as this war had no "official" beginning, so it had no "official" ending. But the surrender of Lee on April 9, 1865, sounded the death knell of the Confederacy and organized resistance by the men in gray ended. From Sumter to Appamattox it was four years — minus three days.

Shortest of all our wars with a foreign power was the "100-Days War" with Spain in 1898. It had its origin in American sympathy for the Cuban patriots who for several years had been trying to throw off Spanish rule but it is doubtful if there would have been a war had it not been for the event which took place in Havana Harbor on February 15, 1898. That event was the explosion and sinking of the U. S. S. Maine. The excitement over this resulted in diplomatic relations between Spain and the United States being broken on April 21 and the declaration of a blockade of Cuba the next day. Her "national honor" thus assailed, Spain declared war on April 24 and our declaration followed the next day.

The overwhelming victories won by our navy—at Manila and at Santiago—and by our army—in the land fighting in Cuba—soon demonstrated what the inevitable outcome of the war would be. So on August 12 a peace protocol was signed and hostilities ceased after 100 days of fighting. The war, however, did not end officially until December 10 when the peace treaty was signed in Paris.

Although the period of actual combat by our fighting men was relatively short (one year and 15 days), World War I was our second longest war with a foreign power. Here is the sequence of events to validate that statement:

On February 1, 1917, Germany began unrestricted submarine warfare and as a result we broke diplomatic relations with her two days later. On April 6 congress declared war on Germany and on June 26 the first American troops landed in France. However, it was not until October 27, 1917, that American soldiers fired their first shots at the enemy. Hostilities ended on November 11, 1918—one year and fifteen days after they had begun on October 27 of the previous year.

The cessation of hostilities on Armistice Day did not mean the official end of the war. The treaty at Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, but when it came up for ratification by the senate on November 19 it was rejected. That meant that, officially, we were still at war with Germany. It was not until July 2, 1921, that President Harding signed a joint resolution of congress (passed by the house on June 30 and by the senate on July 1) declaring peace with Germany. On August 25 a peace treaty was signed in Berlin by representatives of the United States and Germany. This was ratified by the German national council on September 17 and by the United States senate on October 18. Then, and not until then, was the war between these two countries officially ended — four years, six months and twelve days after the American declaration of war back in 1917.

As for World War II, it began officially for the United States on December 7, 1941, when Japan declared war against the United States and Great Britain and before the declaration reached Washington by air or cable, made an attack on Hawaii, the Philippines and other American possessions in the Pacific. Our declaration of war followed the next day. Four days later Germany and Italy declared war on the United States and on the same day congress, in joint session, issued our declaration of war against those two nations.

THE BATTLE OF LEXINGTON, APRIL 19, 1775
After an engraving by two Continental militiamen who were in the battle.

On that fateful spring morning, when the advance guard of British soldiers, sent by General Gage to destroy the stores which the Americans had collected at Concord, reached Lexington, they found nearly 200 armed provincials drawn up in battle array on the village green.

"Disperse, ye rebels!" cried Major Pitcairn, but the embattled Minute Men stood fast. Then a shot was fired—whether by British soldier or Minute Man is still undecided—and the fight which opened the Revolution began.

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That Nagging Backache

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You may suffer nagging backache, headache, dizziness, getting up nights, leg pains, swelling—feel constantly tired, nervous, all worn out. Other signs of kidney or bladder disorder are sometimes burning, scanty or too frequent urination.

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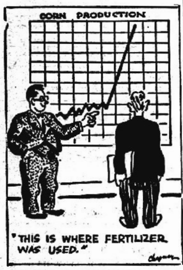
DOANS PILLS

Soil Fertility Is Essential to Food

Fertilizers Help to Increase Value of Acre

Agriculture, in all its forms, rests upon the basis of soil fertility. Whatever renews or increases that fertility benefits the farmer and those dependent upon him for food, clothing and essential articles from farm commodities.

War Food administration reports show that the planting of millions of additional acres in crops has been avoided during the war years, by increased use of fertilizer, resulting in marked increases in yield.


CORN PRODUCTION
"THIS IS WHERE FERTILIZER WAS USED."

Increases as much as 57% resulted from fertilizer use.

It has been determined that two extra bales of cotton were produced per ton of fertilizer; 125 extra bushels of corn; 85 bushels of wheat; 185 bushels of potatoes; and 140 bushels of oats.

On a group of West Virginia farms, forage production was reported increased 57 per cent from the use of a ton of ground limestone and 180 pounds of triple superphosphate per acre. Protein content of the forage increased more than 40 per cent.

Winter legume cover crops on which fertilizer was used showed increased growth, which was reflected in larger yields of succeeding crops benefitting from turning under the green manure. An average increase of more than 11 bushels of corn per acre was reported from plantings immediately following the vetch, without the use of additional fertilizer.

Increases in alfalfa hay yields from fertilizing the soil were reported as 33 per cent in the northeastern states; 25 per cent in the east central area; 40 per cent in the south; and 15 per cent in the north central and western regions.

How to Keep Poultry Flock in Good Health

Proper location of the poultry house will do much toward keeping a flock healthy. The poultry quarters should be on light, sandy well-drained soil and should be provided with some shade. The house should face opposite the direction from which storms usually come.

Clean, comfortable, well - ventilated and spacious poultry houses, abundant and nourishing feeds, and clean water in clean receptacles help keep fowls in good physical condition; when these things are provided, no medicine is needed to keep poultry well and productive. Without such provisions, no medicinal treatment will insure the maintenance of health. It usually pays to kill, not doctor sick hens.

New Farm Facts

A new apricot developed by Russians contains 50 per cent sugar when tree dried.

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Proper care of tractor this winter, together with correct adjustment may mean a saving in fuel of from 13 to 26 per cent next season.

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Small dried peas, 3,000 years old, taken from the tomb of King Tutankhamen have been planted in Florida by an army officer and produced a good crop.

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Shortage of certain small grain seeds for next year looks possible. Proper handling this year will assure the farmer of sufficient seeds for planting later on.

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When ordinary fly sprays have been used in barns or other buildings, avoid breathing the fumes for long periods of time. The fumes are also detrimental to livestock.

Calf Vaccination

While calf vaccination for brucellosis is not a substitute for proper management and sanitation, it is recommended by Dr. R. R. Birch of the American Veterinary Medical association. Calfhood vaccination, accompanied by a program of elimination of reactor animals, has been responsible for the greatest amount of progress in brucellosis control during the past year. The vaccinated calves, however, should be removed from those not vaccinated.

Brighter Colors, Snappier Styles For New Shoes

Lifting of Restrictions Permits Use of Two Tones

By AL JEDLICKA

WHAT with the government releasing restrictions on the use of colors, retailers' stocks of shoes will be brightened up next spring, a visit to the national shoe fair in Chicago revealed.

For women, shoes will come in red, liberty red and blue jacket blue, among other colors; for men, they'll range from army russet to such lighter shades as turf tan, and for children, there will be assortments from black to white.

With the lifting of another government restriction, two-tones will come back on the market, it was revealed, with manufacturers permitted to use different colored leather in the upper part of the shoe with composition soles, or only one sheath of leather with another of fabric for the upper with leather soles.

There will be snap to next spring's shoes, a survey revealed.

Lighter, Airier Brogans.

Women's brogans will be airier, lighter and dressier, with dominance in open toes and heels. Following the prewar trend, there will be liberal lines of "casual," or informal, types for comfort or knock-around wear.

Comfort also will be a theme for men's shoes, with two-tone moccasins with composition bottoms in their own again. Saddle oxfords will be given a big play.

Open toes and backs also will feature children's and misses' lines next spring, and increasing attention will be paid to the adequate airing of active juveniles' perspiring feet, both from the comfort and health angles.

With the modern young miss catching on fast, at least one manufacturer has developed a fashionable misses' line patterned after adult styles, to give "little sister the same shoe as big sister." This manufacturer's so - called "high-style" line will run in sizes 5, 6 and 7.

Some Late Developments.

In general, developments in shoe manufacture have kept apace during the war. One of the big innovations is the "no mark" synthetic rubber heel, made of a compound that does not scuff up floors, etc. Nylon thread was found adaptable for sewing sharkskin tips to ordinary leather uppers. Hot wax and oil treatments have been developed for preserving leather soles. Plastic soles, of vynol resin, for instance, have proven exceptionally durable.

Because of its life and porous qualities, however, leather still remains the No. 1 material for shoes, with no replacement in sight. Experiences in importing also have proven the superior processing of American tanneries, it was said.

Despite the government's removal of many restrictions on the industry, production of civilian shoes will continue to be limited, with little prospect that normal supplies will enter the market for at least a year after the war. At the present time, manufacturers have to fill large government orders, and manpower is short. Because of the tremendous output of shoes in the immediate prewar period, the U. S. was better off than it might have been if inventories had not been worked up, one manufacturing representative said.

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

By NANCY PEPPER

HAIR LOOMS

Who says the teens aren't a lot of sentimental sillies? Back in grandmother's day it was considered romantic to wear a lock of your best beau's hair (crew cuts hadn't been invented, remember) in a locket or brooch, and, just to show you that history talks back, take a gander at the tricks the teens are doing with a clump of their O. A. O.'s crowning glory.

Pigtail puss—Boys are sporting powder puff faces on their lapels or sweaters with pigtails made of their Fever Fraus' hair. Of course, it's the girl who makes the gadget, but it's the boy who wears it. Just match up the pigtails and you can tell who his big moment is.

Telltale tails — A favorite lapel lunacy is a little animal, made of felt or leather, with a long tail made of real hair. Trade one with your best friend.

Cats' whiskers—Make a pussy cat or bunny face out of powder puffs and use a wisp of your own hair for whiskers.

Lovelorn lockets—Strictly modern versions of grandmother's lovelorn lockets are aspirin boxes (prewar metal variety), empty lipstick tubes or rouge boxes with locks of your steady's hair inside. His picture would make it twice as romantic—even if he isn't exactly a Pin-up Purty. Pass me the shears, dears!

FIT TO BE TIED

We're talking about scarfs — a favorite accessory with the soda fountain set. You can make your own with bits of left-over fabric or you can buy 'em ready-made. In plain color they're a swell place for autographs or liptographs. They're also a handy parking space for gadget pins and, if you're lucky, fraternity and school pins.

It's a hold-up—Sling a long scarf around your neck and pin the two ends to your skirt waistband in suspender effect in front. Looks keen over a sweater worn in the new tuck-in fashion.

Kute kerchiefs—Knot a small square around your neck over a sweater as a change from the usual dickey collar or necklace. A western fashion for every pistol packin' mama.

Giddy girdle—Tie a square or long scarf around your waist with the ends hanging at the side. You've no idea what it will do for a plain shirt and skirt outfit.

Bandanna beanie — The newest trick with beanies is to sew one to a cotton bandanna 'kerchief, clamp it on your topknot and tie the ends of the bandanna under your chin.

SWING YOUR PARTNER

Well, before you swing your partner—you have to find him (or her). That's why it's a good idea to start off your next party with a match-up dance that will give every Sad Sam and Square Apple an even break with the Wiser Wolves and Winsome Witches. The ideas listed below are guaranteed ice-breakers for any party.

Comic characters — Cut famous characters out of the comics. Put the male characters in one box, the related female characters in another box for the boys to pick from. The dance starts when Maggie teams up with Jiggs, when Flash Gordon finds Dale, when Blondie finds Dagwood, when L'il Abner finds Daisy Mae. Get the idea? It's more fun than the funnies.

Beautiful babies — Have every guest bring his and her baby picture to the party. All the girls put their pictures in one box, the boys in another. Then each picks a picture and the fun begins when they try to identify each other. The theme song of this one should be "You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby."

What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT

Party menus nowadays call for unrationed food, but should work no special hardship on clever hostesses.

Chicken salad or sandwiches, molded vegetable salads, cream cheese spread on crackers, home made ice cream and cake will not eat up your ration stamps and all can be served attractively.

Make your "plainish" cake fancy with thick icing and decorate it with tiny flags of the United Nations. The result is an eyecatching and very appropriate decoration for your table—or your buffet supper.

Ledger Syndicate.—WNU Features.

The Rambling Rhymster

By LES PLETTNER

IN A RESTAURANT

"Just look at that fellow,"
Remarked the wife,
As we sat in a restaurant.
"Although I feel mellow,
Still, for my life,
He does me completely daunt.
Just look what he's eating,"
Said she again;
Assaulting her dish of greens.
"My eyes are a'meeting,
Though it's past ken—
Doughnuts and coffee and beans.
You'd think he'd be having
Some slight regard for the health
Of his inner works,
And not inflict such a combine hard
To handle . . . and causing quirks.
You'd think he'd be having
Some mite of sense,
And would see what the stuff will do.
I can't see how people
Can be so dense,
And stupid and dumb—can you?
He's fat and he's florid
And up in years—
You'd think that he ought to know
Such things won't go in his inward
gears—
Some day will cause pain and woe.
He's looking so happy and satisfied
He can't realize what it means—
Knows not what they'll do to him
inside—
These doughnuts and coffee and
beans!"

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

Is your skin so dry that it looks "drawn," no matter what you do? Does your powder flake? Well, do this: Put on a little fine cosmetic oil or a very rich emulsion. Leave on for just a minute, then blend on a foundation cream. Your dry skin will absorb the oil and cream. Use a little cream rouge, then press and pat on powder. The first application is absolutely necessary if you are a "dry skin" sufferer!

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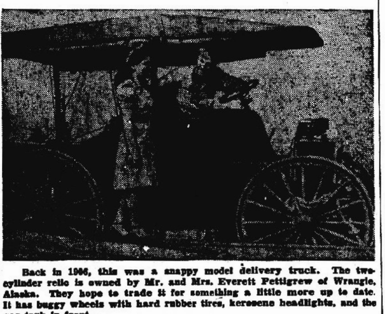
Museum Piece Comes Back From Alaska



Back in 1906, this was a snappy model delivery truck. The two-cylinder relic is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pettigrew of Wrangle, Alaska. They hope to trade it for something a little more up to date. It has buggy wheels with hard rubber tires, kerosene headlights, and the gas tank in front.

Disabled Soldier Is An Expert Crocheter

TOPEKA, KAN. — A Kankakee, Ill., airplane mechanic who learned the art by watching his mother, whiles away hours of convalescence by crocheting.

Corp. Vincent Mersolais explained to the astounded soldier-patients of Winter General hospital that he had learned just to show his sisters how easy it was.

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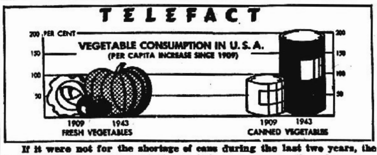


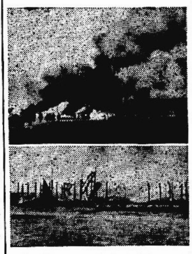
If it were not for the shortage of cans during the last two years, the consumption of canned vegetables would be even greater than shown.

U.S. Air Corps Wrecks Own Bases in China To Hinder Jap Drive

Demolition Crews Blow Up Fields, Burn Buildings.

The demolition of air bases is one job the China air service area command hoped never to be required to carry out. But the Japanese drive to control the Hunan Kwangsi railway and establish a line of communications to French Indo-China has slowly but surely driven Chinese ground forces back and necessitated abandonment of a number of forward bases of Maj. Gen. C. L. Chennault's 14th air force. The air service command has never left a base behind without mutilating it so thoroughly that the enemy could not possibly take advantage of the smoking remains.

In the case of Hengyang, a 12-man crew in only 14 hours obliterated an installation that took thousands of men 11 months to construct. After that, on July 6, came the destruction of Paoching; Lingling followed, and then, on September 20, air strips at Kweilin; and, as the Japanese advanced inexorably, Tanchuk on the West river followed. In every instance, the job was done by a handful of men especially trained for the particular airdrome, and always the demolition was completed within a few hours after the field was abandoned.



Gasoline - soaked buildings at Hengyang airdrome blaze fiercely a minute after being fired by the demolition crew. Below: All that is left of the base are a few charred timbers and blistered oil drums, a testimony to the thoroughness of the wrecking methods of the China air service command.

Usually, the demolition of buildings is a comparatively simple job. Drums of gasoline are set near each structure as soon as there is any indication that the installation may have to be abandoned. After the field is deserted and ready for the demolition crew, the drums are placed inside each building, the crew shoots holes in them and from a safe point outside, hurls burning material through windows or doors to start the blaze.

Bomb and ammunition slots are destroyed by dumping gasoline inside. The tremendous heat, when it burns, sets them off. The main problem is planning their destruction in such an order that they can be handled speedily and the crews can reach adequate shelter. For explosive demolition of any real size, hastily built lean-to's serve to keep the crews safe from falling rock and fragments.

Unexpected Perils.

To illustrate some of the unforeseen dangers encountered in this work, Col. Richard Treiber, chief of personnel and training, recalled the burning of a building full of 50-caliber ammunition at Hengyang.

"We fired it and ran like mad for the nearest revetment before the cases began to explode. Everything went fine until a stray slug hit a gasoline drum next to us and the stuff began to trickle down the hill toward the fire . . . We didn't stay much longer."

The defense plans provide for two types of demolition, "destructive" and "explosive." "This," Colonel Treiber said, "means that we destroy as much as we can by fire and by breaking it up with hammers or sledges. We take care of most of the machinery this way, though sometimes when it is too big we have to use explosives on it."

The final job is that of making the runway useless to the enemy. This is done by mining the strip with bombs in a pattern ingeniously devised to accomplish the most damage in the least time. When there is time, the bombs are buried in the runway to accomplish a maximum of damage, but sometimes it is necessary to tie two or three together and explode them on the surface.

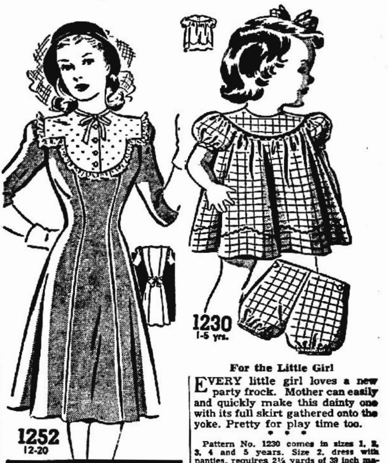
Artificial Moonlight Help in British Drive

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.—Artificial moonlight has helped the British keep their advance moving in west Holland by night as well as by day.

The synthetic moonglow, first used at Caen but on the secret list until recently, is created by focusing mobile batteries of floodlights toward enemy positions while Allied movements are kept in the shadows.

SEWING CIRCLE PATTERNS

Pretty Frock for Gala Occasions New Party Frock for Little Girl



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Pattern No. 1230 comes in sizes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years. Size 2, dress with panties, requires 2¼ yards of 39 inch material, 3½ yards ric rac to trim.

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Joan—Here's a woman writing in for advice on where to take her three daughters for a Christmas vacation. What'll I tell her?

Jasper—I should think Sulphur Springs would be a good place to make matches.

A man received a notice to move from his landlord. Believing it could not be enforced, he replied: "Dear Sir, I remain, Yours truly."

Supercolossal

Joan—Isn't the sky lovely? It's just like a picture this evening.

Jasper—Yeah, with an all-star cast, too!

They Are

Joan—I notice your aunt is wearing a pair of silver bars pinned to her coat. Is her boy friend a captain?

Jasper—No, two lieutenants.

Surprise

"That man," said Smith, "came to this town 20 years ago, bought a wheelbarrow, and began collecting rags. What do you think he's worth today?"

"I couldn't guess," confessed Jones.

"Nothing," said Smith. "And he still owes for the barrow."

Heavy Adversary

Tim—Look, Daddy, I pulled this cornstalk up all by myself.

Daddy—My, what a strong boy!

Tim—Sure. The whole world had hold of the other end.

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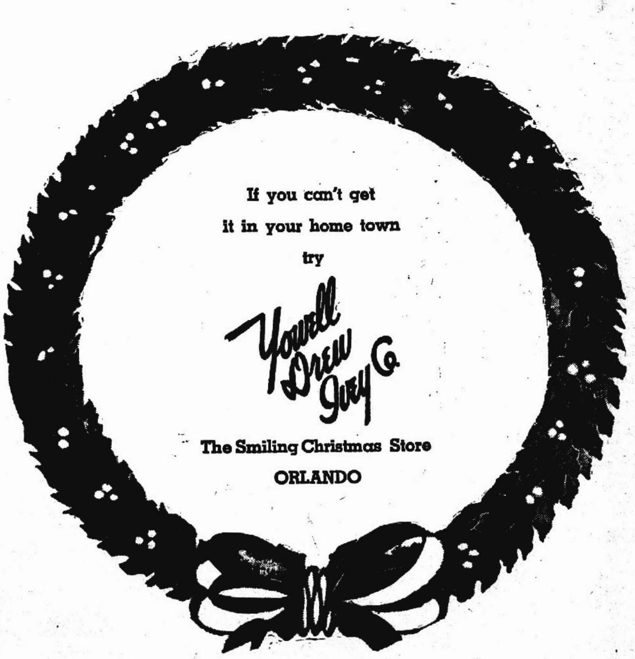

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Park visited friends in Bean City this week.

Miss Lucille Sheumaker returned home Tuesday from a visit with friends in Haines City.

Mrs. Gus Carratt, Mrs. C. Mann and daughter, Daisy Ivell were in Tampa on Friday.

Mrs. T. H. Hughs and daughter, Miss Dot Hughs spent Thursday and Friday in Tampa.

Mrs. C. D. Noland and Mrs. Joseph Raynor spent the day Wednesday in Tampa.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Bud Clark and Mrs. Ruby Reynolds visited friends and relatives in Tampa this week. Mrs. Reynolds returned home Thursday night.

Captain and Mrs. Richard Bennett are arriving today from Brownville, Texas, for a short visit with Capt. Bennett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bennett.

Mrs. C. H. Pardee, who has been ill at her home for the past three weeks, is convalescing nicely, her many friends will be gratified to learn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Napier returned Friday to their home in Nashville, Tennessee, after a few days visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kenney.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd and son, Norman returned home Monday, from Sparrows Point, Maryland, where they had spent several days with Mr. Todd's father, T. B. Todd.

S/Sgt and Mrs. L. B. Kolb of Bainbridge, Ga., are spending several days here with Mrs. Kolb's mother, Mrs. J. H. McClelland, and her brother, Major Harold McClelland, who has just returned from overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Hair, who arrived last Wednesday from Mamaous, Brazil, South America, left Sunday for Washington, D. C., after a few days visit here with Mrs. Hair's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bigbie. Mr. Hair, who is connected with the U. S. Rubber Development Corporation, has been located in Brazil for the past two years, where he and Mrs. Hair have made their home. They will return here for Christmas, after which he will accept another assignment.

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Rev. E. H. Puryear, 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, Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.
Saturday Servicemen Fellowship hour 9:00 P. M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Paul D. Murphy, Minister
Sunday Services:
Bible study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching and Communion 11:00 A. M.
Young People's meeting 7:00 P. M.
Preaching service 8:00 P. M.

The public has a cordial invitation to attend any or all of these services.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Sunday Worship 11:00 A. M.
Universal Bible Sunday
Sermon Topic: "God's Thought — Man's Deed."

AVON PARK ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

West Tulane Circle
Rev. W. H. Magee, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00
Children's Church 3:00 P. M.
Young People's C. A. Class 7:00 P. M.
Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

A christian welcome extended to all.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

W. Main St.
Rev. V. C. Mulkin, Pastor
Sunday School 10 A. M.
65 our goal for this week.
Sermon 11:00 A. M.
The Pastor will preach.

Please Note: The evening services will begin one half hour earlier thru the winter.

Junior and N. Y. P. S. Services at 6:45 P. M. instead of 7:15 P. M.

Evangelistic Service at 7:30 P. M. instead of 8 P. M.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

A cordial welcome to all.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"GOD THE PRESERVER OF MAN" is the subject of the Lesson Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, December 10.

The Golden Text is: "The Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom" (II Timothy 4:18).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies" (Psalms 103:2-4).

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: "The great fact that God lovingly governs all, never punishing aught but sin, is your standpoint, from which to advance and destroy the human fear of sickness . . . The power of Christian Science and divine Love is Omnipotent. It is indeed adequate to unclasp the hold and to destroy disease, sin, and death." (p. 412:1-4, 13-15).

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Jas. C. Haines, 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. 1502
Year of Issuance 1936
Description of Property NE¼ of Section 14, Township 39 South, Range 29 East, 160 Acres.
Name in which assessed Annie L. Hathaway.

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 January, 1945, which is the 1st day of January, 1945.

Dated this 1st day of December 1944.

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

Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

In re Estate of
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that on the 30th day of December A. D. 1944, I shall apply to the Honorable Thos A. McNicholas, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for a final discharge as Executrix of the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington deceased. My final report and application for final discharge are now on file in the office of said Judge..

Dated Dec. 1st. A. D. 1944.

BEULAH E. SAPPINGTON
Administratrix

S COLQUITT PARDEE,
Solicitor for Executor
Betts Bldg.
Avon Park, Fla.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA

IN RE: ESTATE OF
GEORGE A. WARREN,
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL CREDITORS AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified to file all claims and demands which you have against the estate of George A. Warren, deceased, in the office of T. A. McNicholas, County Judge, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from December 1st, 1944, which is the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing, must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, must be sworn to and must be filed as aforesaid, or else same will become void.

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By W. H. BADEN, Vice-President, As Executor of the Last Will and Testament of George A. Warren Deceased.

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Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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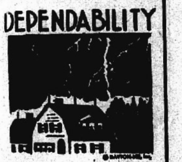

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Methodist Class Has Supper Party Monday Evening

Lovely in each detail was the Christmas supper party enjoyed by the Woman's Friendship Bible class of the First Methodist Church on Monday evening at the hut. Poinsettias intermingled with greenery filled baskets placed at vantage points.

Alternate arrangements of red and green candles decorated the table, and nut cups at each place were in green and white. Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, president of the class, presented each class member and guest present with a colorful corsage in Christmas colors. An exchange of gifts provided an interesting feature of the evening, and a variety of games were enjoyed.

The tempting supper menu consisted of fruit cocktail, turkey and dressing, giblet gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, hot homemade rolls and butter, olives, celery, sweet pickles, fresh coconut cake and coffee.

Those present included Mrs. Marie Grote and her mother, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Laura Hall, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. E. Kelley, Mrs. Edward Hammond, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Mrs. H. R. Currie, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Miss Furlow Anderson, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. B. F. Willson, Mrs. Estelle Sonneman, Mrs. H. C. Bigbie, Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Myer, Mrs. S. C. Pardee, Mrs. Forrest Church, Mrs J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. G. B. Mall, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, and Mrs. Georgia Dinnison.

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Sarah English and Paul Ziglar to Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. English of 3303 SW 27th ave, Miami announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Sarah C. English to Paul E. Ziglar at a recent dinner party at their home.

Miss English, who is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Lockett, Avon Park, is a graduate of Ponce de Leon high school in Miami, and is now associated with Pan American Airways, Dinner Key.

Mr. Ziglar, son of Mrs. J. W. Ziglar of Burlington, Iowa, has been associated with Pan American Airways, for the past three and one-half years in Brownsville, Texas, and in the Panama Canal Zone.

The date of the wedding will be announced later.

Mary Jo Hill Has Birthday Party Wednesday

Miss Mary Jo Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hill celebrated her fourteenth birthday anniversary with a delightful party at her home on Wednesday evening. Games and dancing were the diversions for the party, after which delicious refreshments of cookies, cake and punch were served. The pretty birthday cake was frosted in green, yellow and white.

Mary Jo was the recipient of many attractive gifts from her friends sharing the occasion with her who were Hubert Lewis, William Brodie, John L. Delegal, Harold Barber, Edgar Rutherford, Norma Jean Thompson, Lillie Mae Collins, Ann Pabor, Arden Anderson, Joyce, Shirley and Zane Hill, Gloria Garber, Billie Marie Garwood, Anna Vilkaitis, Joyce Grice, Peggy Dunn, Winifred Carlisle, Myrtle Powell, Marjorie Ann Thompson, and Elizabeth Swafford.

Irene Taylor and Odell Skipper Married Nov. 30

Wyman Odell Skipper, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Skipper, Avon Park, and Miss Pearl Irene Taylor, Miami, niece of Mrs. Lela T. Hutto were united in marriage at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, November 30 at the Allapattah Baptist Church in Miami. Dr. Parker, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Ferns and palms formed an impressive background for tall baskets of white gladioli and daisies, which decorated the church. Lighted tapers in branched candelabra cast a soft illumination.

Mrs. Stevens, pianist and Cecil Ashley, soloist, presented the nuptial music. Mr. Ashley's numbers were "I Love You Truly" and "Because." The traditional wedding marches were played.

The bride, given in marriage by F. W. Parmer, was attractively gowned in white satin, made on princess lines. Her floor length veil was caught to the hair with clusters of tuberoses, and her only ornament was a newly mounted cameo belonging to the great grandmother of the groom. She carried a bridal bouquet of gardenias and white orchids.

Mrs. Ann Neuman, matron of honor, wore a blue taffeta gown, and a corsage of rosebuds. Juanita Skipper, flower girl wore a yellow taffeta floor length frock.

Joe Keath Skipper, ring bearer, wore a white suit, and carried the ring on a satin pillow.

Ushers were R. A. Roberts and Sgt. Guy Whorton.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the F. W. Parmer home.

The bride is a graduate of DeLeon high school. The groom is a flight engineer with Pan American Airways in Miami, where the couple will make their home.

Virginia Kyle and Sgt. King Married Nov. 30

Miss Virginia Kyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Kyle, 704 Woodruff Heights and Sgt. Joseph King were married Thursday, November 30.

The couple were attended by Sgt. and Mrs. E. F. Mallett, as best man and matron of honor. The bride was attractive in a gold and black dress, with which she wore black accessories.

Sgt. King, whose home is in Marianna, is stationed at the Avon Park Army Air Field. He has had overseas duty in the European theatre of war.

The bride's father, William "Pop" Kyle is employed at the PX at the air base.

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Woman's Club Hears Christmas Program Friday

In opening the December meeting of the Avon Park Woman's Club on Friday afternoon, Mrs. Chas. F. Kenney, president, very aptly expressed the Christmas theme, when she said, "Our meeting has fallen on the first day on the month in which we celebrate Christmas, and Christmas we hold in commemoration of the birth of Love; Love incarnate in our world for "God is Love." Our devotional director has selected Mrs. Arthur Johnson as our chairman for today's devotions and the subject is "Love."

Mrs. Johnson gave as the devotional, Corinthians, 13th chapter, and she also read from Drummond's "The Greatest Thing in the World."

In keeping with the chosen theme, the Christmas carol, "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem" was sung in unison, led by Mrs. G. S. McKnight.

Mrs. H. C. Worden, in her charming manner, gave a beautiful Christmas reading. Following the last stanza of America, the Salute to the Flag was given and the club collect was read.

Mrs. G. P. Thayer, local chairman of the Christmas Seal Drive gave further announcement and plans for the current intensive campaign. Mrs. Alexander Blair, county chairman, who had planned to attend the meeting, was unable to be present due to serious illness.

The club's usual annual holiday collection of gifts of food, clothing and funds for the Florida Children's Home in Jacksonville, was most gratifying. It was announced by Mrs. W. C. Touchton, chairman that further contributions could be left at the Barnett Bank.

Mrs. Thayer gave an informative library report, and spoke of the Sherman Memorial Shelf in the public library located in the city hall. It was announced that all who desired could donate a book to the shelf, which is designed as a memorial to Edward Sherman, who lost his life in service. The first books on the shelf being put there by his mother, Mrs. Alice Sherman.

Mrs. Joseph Shiebout reported on her work in art classes at the USO. The secretary read a letter of appreciation from W. L. Schmidt, director of the USO, for the fine work that is being accomplished in this department, sponsored by the Woman's Club.

Miss Daisy Smith reported for Mrs. Ken Harris, new leader of the Girl Scouts. She announced that a meeting for the near future was being arranged.

It was announced that the Music Festival and Christmas celebration on the mall would be held Sunday, December 17.

The president, reading from the Sebring Woman's Club calendar, announced that a candlelight service would be held there at 4:30 o'clock, Monday, December 18. The Avon Park Woman's Club will be special guests at this event, the president announced, and she urged members to attend, if possible.

Miss Ballard, Red Cross county chairman, presented plans for the Christmas party at the base hospital at Avon Park Army Air Field. The local club is sponsoring the party, with the Frostproof and Lake Wales clubs, also contributing.

A splendid attendance marked this enjoyable meeting of the club.

NOTICE
HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA

November 29, 1944

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 9, Chapter 18296, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1937, known as the Murphy Act, the following described land in Highlands County, Florida, will be offered for sale at public outcry for the highest and best bid, subject to the right of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to reject any and all bids, at the Court House beginning at 11:00 o'clock A. M. on the 1st day of January, 1945. Easement for road right-of-way 200 feet wide will be reserved from any parcel through which there is an existing State Road and as to land in composite tracts of 10 acres or more, title to one-half of all petroleum and three-fourths of other minerals will be reserved.

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WNU RELEASE

THE STORY THUS FAR: Zorie Corey, who hates herself for being so meek, is railroaded into taking a job she does not want, helping Admiral Duncan write his memoirs. She is in love with Paul Duncan, the admiral's grandson. While aboard the steamship Samoa en route to Hawaii a hand is clamped over her mouth and she is scooped up and tossed into the sea. She avoids the propellers and manages to catch a life ring which some sailor had tossed overboard when he saw her fall. Zorie is rescued, and learns on recovering from shock that Steve, Paul's handsome brother, was taken violently ill at the time she was thrown overboard. The Admiral announces that Pearl Harbor has been bombed.

CHAPTER XI

"They can thank God they're not in Honolulu, where civilians aren't allowed out of their houses after dark," Steve said impatiently. "They'll come if you want them to. And I don't really give a damn who comes as long as you get Basil Stromberg. Tell him you've got to discuss the future of the sugar and pineapple industries with this war on, and the difficulties of shipping between Hawaii and the Mainland, with all these Jap submarines around . . . Three or four other couples to balance the table—but a nice gay crowd."

His deep voice became a rumble. A minute later, Zorie heard a car start. The admiral presently returned along the path he and Steve had taken.

The sudden ferocity with which war had burst upon the Pacific had put all of them under an increasing strain. And Paul was trying too hard to make up for lost time. She was finding his over-zealousness at times trying and she was finding it more and more difficult to keep Steve out of her thoughts. One evening at her stateroom door when Paul had kissed her good night, and had asked her—as he did so often these days—if she still loved him, she had murmured, "Of course I do, Steve."

She was so frightened she turned cold. But her voice must have been too low for him to hear, or his own thoughts too turbulent. He hadn't noticed the slip.

She could not drive Steve out of her mind. And she was still undecided, still torn between her infatuation and her patriotic scruples. She had tried to rationalize it by assuring herself that she could, any time she wished, notify the authorities, and by her knowledge that there was still, in spite of her sure suspicions, nothing she could prove.

She dreamed about Steve. Often there were strange dreams in which both he and Paul figured.

If Steve suspected her suffering, he was being very nice about it. It was, she supposed with some bitterness, an old story with Steve—being kind to all the women who made fools of themselves over him. As, for example, Amber Lanning was doing.

Most of all, she didn't want Paul to become aware of it, although she was sure that his renewed ardor was making him blind. She did not want Paul to be hurt. And regardless of where her heart wanted to lead her, her mind was still at the controls. Her mind kept insisting that she would, in a little time, fully recover. By then Paul would be back on an even keel and they would, at an appropriate time, be married.

Of the remainder of the trip on the blacked-out ship, she would unreasonably recall most vividly, not the frantic excitement of the passengers, nor the tension, the alertness, the white war-worn faces of Honolulu under martial law, but her childish jealousy of Steve's attentions to Amber. Amber, with her lack of inhibitions, wasn't making any efforts to conceal the fact that she, too, had gone overboard for Steve.

The war, curiously, affected Zorie scarcely at all. After the first awful feeling, when she learned of the devastation at Pearl Harbor and at the army and naval air base, her self-possession returned. Her new fearlessness was impervious. She wasn't afraid of torpedoes or Japanese bombers and, as she saw neither submarines nor bombers, her fearlessness was not tested. After the first day's attacks on Oahu, the enemy was occupied with Wake, Hong Kong, the Philippines and Singapore. Yet Zorie was certain that, if the enemy returned, she would not be frightened.

Often she came upon Steve and Amber, walking together, playing ping pong, or the horse races, or shuffleboard. They were always laughing, always so absorbed in each other that they were oblivious.

She tried not to let Paul see how it affected her—the bleak fury, the jealousy, the hatred that swept her.

After the first day, there was little war news. All the passengers' radios were confiscated and only curt official bulletins from Washington were issued. On the day after the attack on Oahu, two United States destroyers magically appeared and escorted the "Samoa" on her zigzag course the rest of the way.

Zorie wondered how the war would affect the plans, the status, of Steve, the Lannings and Pierre Savoyard. She had hoped that her problem would be solved by the military authorities. She had expected all of them to be detained for investigation when the ship reached Honolulu. But they hadn't been. Her own fiery hatred of Japan, of all the Axis powers, had made her problem suddenly acute. Yet she had, despite the intensity of her feelings, done nothing about it. She had rationalized it by telling herself that the blow might kill the admiral. She had decided to talk it over with him, to tell him about all her suspicions, and let him decide what action to take.

She had grown very fond of the peppery old man. Her brightest recollections of that strange voyage had been her work with him. He had no fear of submarines and he was determined to get on with The Book. Once he was reconciled to Zorie's disinterest in his Annapolis pranks and the Battle of Manila Bay—now being fought again with terrible new weapons—he had plunged into the story of the Duncan clan.

He was anxious to get on with it, but he had told Zorie there would be no work today.

Paul found her in the arbor a little before noon and she had lunch with him on a lanai shaded by a Pride of India tree. The centerpiece was an arrangement of translucent spikes of blood-red ginger flowers. She tasted her first baked breadfruit.

As one man they raised their glasses to her.

"I've been thinking things over," Paul said. "You once mentioned that you'd prefer it if I gave up my ambition to be a professor of psychology, and went to the plantation as a cut-cane luna and worked up."

"But, Paul, I didn't say that!" Zorie protested. Or had she?

"Did I ever tell you how we came by Uluwehi E Kai?"

There was suffering in Paul's eyes. He was preparing to be self-sacrificing, noble. To please her. He was telling her the story of Uluwehi E Kai, but she scarcely heard him. She was wishing he would stop being so humble. His over-anxiety to please her had reached a very irritating stage. She scarcely caught the gist of what he was saying.

A Hawaiian queen had once lived here. The admiral had bought Uluwehi from the Hawaiian crown fifty years ago. Until recently it had been part of the Duncan Plantation. On the death of Grandmother Duncan, he had sold the plantation to a syndicate in which he owned a large interest, retaining only Uluwehi. He also had large interests in other sugar and pineapple properties, and in banks and hotels, in steamship and air lines.

"I know you're enchanted with Uluwehi," Paul said. "I'm seeing it as I never saw it before—through your eyes. I know how you'll hate to live anywhere else. So, if you say the word, I'll start in tomorrow as a field luna."

Zorie shook her head with firmness. "No, Paul. I will not interfere in a decision as important as that."

"But you've fallen in love with this place!"

"That has nothing to do with it. Your career comes first!"

His eyes were grayer than green. "If I thought you could go back to Elleryton without hating it—"

"But of course I could, darling!"

He was doubtful. He really looked wretched. "I'd rather make any sacrifice to keep you happy."

"No, Paul," Zorie said crisply. "Your future isn't to be worked out on that basis. Decide what you want to do and I'll abide by it."

"There isn't a lovelier spot in the world than this," Paul said, "and you would lead the happiest life you've ever known. You'd be the boss of the Duncan clan. And the mistress of Uluwehi is the undisputed queen of this island. I know how crazy the admiral is about you. There's nothing he wouldn't do for you . . . I realize all that, and I realize how attractive that setup would be to any woman."

She had sensed most of this. She had seen herself presiding over this lovely place, modernizing, simplifying some of the rooms, giving lively parties, taking hold and running things, and restoring Uluwehi to its former glory . . . Of course it appealed to her!

"But is your career here, Paul?"

He shook his head tragically. "No. That's just it."

"The instant this book is finished," Zorie said crisply, "we'll go back to Elleryton." She had a sudden glimpse of the twin chimneys of the Fenwick Body Plant and of the social life—Mrs. Folsome, Mrs. McGonigle, Aunt Hannah. "Now let's stop all this silly argument."

He came around to her chair and kissed her on the cheek.

"Thank you, Zorie," he said solemnly. "That was what I wanted you to say . . . Would you like to be married here?"

Zorie hesitated. Her heart was beating in slow, cold thumps. "Yes, Paul. Of course!"

"It would be a lot of fun," Paul said. "We'd have a luau—an old-fashioned Hawaiian luau. Would you like that?"

"Yes, dear."

"I've been thinking," Paul said, "that we might be married Sunday."

A knifelike pain went through Zorie's heart. Trying to control her voice, she said, "Day after tomorrow?"

"Yes," said Paul. "Why wait? We've been putting it off long enough."

It was true. They had. Rather, Paul had. For more than a year they had been on this vaguely engaged basis. And there hadn't been a day when she hadn't hoped that Paul would decide not to wait.

But that had been in Elleryton . . . His announcement left her with a feeling of panic. She realized that she hadn't the slightest desire to marry Paul day after tomorrow.

He was fondling her shoulder. "Then," he said, "we'll fly over to Kona for a few days. We'll come back here and stay until the admiral's book is finished. I'll find plenty to do. I want to do some more work on my dissertation."

He was trying to be gay and reckless. But he wasn't convincing Zorie and he wasn't convincing himself. He sensed that something was wrong, but he didn't know what it was.

"Would you like it that way, honey?"

Zorie was gazing at the garden. "This would be a lovely place to be married," she said. She would not try to escape it. She would go through with it. She could not let Paul down.

She wanted to cry. All the time Paul was talking, she'd been seeing Steve at her wedding—Steve watching her with a brother-in-law's detached pride and fondness.

"Well, then, that's settled," Paul said vigorously. "We'll be married Sunday. I'll attend to everything."

She was about to leave her room when one of the maids brought her a lei of white ginger flowers. When she put it on, it fell almost to her waist. If she had needed a completing touch, the chain of glowing fragrant white flowers supplied it.

She asked the maid who had sent it.

"Mr. Duncan."

"Mr. Steve or Mr. Paul?"

"Mr. Steve."

It almost went without saying. With all his ardor, his anxiety to please her, Paul would never think of sending her a lei—especially a white ginger lei.

She went out onto the lanai with its blackout curtains of heavy blue velvet. The admiral, Paul and Steve were already there, but none of the guests had come. The three men were drinking Old-Fashioneds.

They stared at her as she crossed the lanai. As one man they raised their glasses to her. It was almost involuntary. The expression in their eyes was a toast.

She murmured, "Thank you, sir," demurely.

Steve made her an Old-Fashioned. She noticed dry little lines about his mouth and eyes. He looked tired and worried and tense.

She was aware that Paul, in spite of his resolves, disapproved of the frankness of her star sapphire dress. He had betrayed it in his eyes after the admiral had complimented her. It was, she thought, disheartening. Paul did not want her to be radiant. He wanted her to be dull. He had always wanted her to be dull. And when, to please him, she had dressed dully, he had frankly admired women who were colorfully dressed. She wondered why. She wondered what the solution was.

She was sipping her cocktail when Amber and her uncle came out of the house, followed by Pierre. Amber wore the midnight-blue dress—the most effective dress she had. Mr. Lanning was all in white. Pierre Savoyard had crowded his powerfully sloping shoulders into a white dinner jacket. He seemed ill at ease. He stared at Zorie, then sat down in a Singapore chair. He sat there, smoking one cigarette after another, until dinner was announced, arising only when the guests arrived and he was introduced. He spent his time nursing one drink and staring at Zorie.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

AGNES MOOREHEAD doesn't hold with those ancients who believe that genius thrives on misery and an empty stomach.

Everyone — actors, musicians, painters, even plumbers and ditch diggers—do their best work when they have a full belly and are free of worry, maintains Aggie.

"It stands to reason," says she, "that a person can't put forth his best effort if he's unhappy or if in the back of his mind there is gnawing worry about the butcher, baker, or reaction of his associates."

Agnes Moorehead

Agnes is convinced that those great musicians and artists of the past whose talents flourished 'midst poverty had some sort of compensating happiness; either they were in love or they had wonderful friends.

The actress, who in 1943 won the New York critics' award for her performance in "The Magnificent Ambersons," thinks a "relaxed and happy atmosphere" stimulates an actress or actor to far better performances than tension and reprimands ever do.

She liked the company and part she played in "Mrs. Parkington"—and why not? Agnes was the rival of **Greer Garson** for **Walter Pidgeon's** affections.

One Big, Happy Family

"We were such a happy company," said she. "Everyone was relaxed and understanding. That attitude was reflected in our efforts."

Agnes, a New York stage and radio actress before **Orson Welles** drafted her to play the mother of "Citizen Kane," maintains our picture industry is more considerate of actors than the stage.

"On the stage you have to elbow your way through your career. Here it doesn't much matter whether you're a star or a bit player. There's always someone near-by ready and willing to give you encouragement. At least," she added, "that's been my experience."

It wasn't until after "The Magnificent Ambersons" that she decided to remain here. Before signing a contract with M-G-M she always free-lanced, figuring to obtain a greater variety of roles in that way.

But her roles have been pretty varied; though, with the exception of a brief appearance in "Big Street," each has been a "nasty character." Her nastiest, Agnes thinks, is in "Dragon Seed," with **Katie Hepburn**. She played the part of a Chinese Quisling. But she was hateful, too, in "Since You Went Away."

"I play the kind of character you all know exists but, thank heaven, rarely encounter." That's what she said, but we've all met that kind of women—let's face it.

Blissful Ignorance

Agnes admits she knows nothing about "camera angles" and has no intention of learning. She's far more concerned that her part be interesting rather than that it be too long.

"It's my hope to make each portrayal different," Agnes said. "I'd hate to get into a rut."

Well, there's very little chance of that happening. Aggie, like the late great **Alice Brady**, is an actress who loves her job, will play anything or everything if she thinks it's got merit or is different from the ordinary run of parts. I remember years ago sitting in a vaudeville theater with Alice when there was a monkey act on. Alice sat on the edge of her chair. I asked why. She replied: "Who knows? I may have to play one of those critters some day."

The public, of course, will decide how well Aggie manages different roles, and they've been pretty pleased up to date.

Agnes uses a French accent in "Mrs. Parkington," and does it so convincingly a visitor on the set asked **Director Tay Garnett**:

"Where did you get that French dame?"

"I only got the role by the skin of my teeth," Agnes declares. "After all, Aspasia isn't one of those bitter, nasty, frustrated women I usually play. She's warm, charming, chic. Also she's been loved by one of the most fascinating men of the century. A big order!"

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He Got Last Laugh

William Perlberg, "Diamond Horseshoe" producer, got **Billy Haines** to redecorate his house, then turned over his household stuff to be sold at auction. The auctioneer made a big to-do about having his furniture, which has resulted in many embarrassing happenings for Perlberg. When folks saw his stuff on the auction block, they thought he was broke. "At least," said he, "I know who my friends are. In the last few days a half dozen offered to lend me money to tide me over."

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Washington Digest

U. S. Plans Simpler Aid To Business in Future

Reduction in Forms Would Be Relief; Hope To Acquaint Small Operators With Vital General Trends.

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When the mysterious Ninth army suddenly rose full-armed on the western front and the First army, beside it, started General Eisenhower's winter offensive there was one question on most people's lips. Will peace come in Europe before spring? In Washington, on the lips of many thoughtful people, there was another question, too: "If it comes (or for that matter when it comes) will we be ready for it?" In one of the many compartments of government which must be prepared for the ordeal of sudden peace, preparations are now going forward which, I believe, are both significant and hopeful.

Specifically, I am thinking of a report made by the director of the budget, Harold Smith, a summary of which was passed along by Senator Murray, chairman of the committee on small business, for the consolation it might bring. The director of the budget believes that information needed by the government and valuable to small business is going to be obtained, while the statisticians who obtain it are at the same time going to cut down on the number of forms which the small businessman will have to fill out.

Filling out forms, especially the income tax blanks, is the subject of considerable jesting these days. But there is a more serious side to the process if we accept form filling-out as a symbol of the growing part which government plays in regulating our personal and business affairs.

That is why this promise coming from the bureau of the budget is significant, especially when it is considered side by side with two trends to which my attention has been called this week and to which too few people have paid sufficient attention.

Expect Government To Take Lead

One is the tabulated result of a poll made by the National Research center expressly for Factory magazine, a McGraw-Hill publication, and the other is a statement, which I heard recently. It was entirely unofficial and surely an expression of his own view, set forth by a British diplomat.

The question which Factory magazine had asked of men earning hourly or piece wages only (no supervisors or formen) was this:

"Who do you think will do the most to solve the job problem after the war—the government, the labor leaders, or company heads?"

> **Forty-seven per cent of those interviewed looked to government; 24 per cent looked to company heads; 14 per cent to labor leaders; 15 per cent undecided.**

The opinion expressed by the diplomat was this:

"After the war we can look toward a United Kingdom where considerable government control is exercised — ownership of railroads, utilities, mines . . . a sort of socialistic monarchy."

Both these opinions together indicate a trend in the thinking on both sides of the Atlantic along parallel lines. The American workman feels that the American government will take the responsibility for employment after the war; the British official feels that the British government will take over several of the nation's important industries.

More "forms to make out," if you will.

Which brings us back to small business, Committee Chairman Murray, and Budget Director Smith, and the promise of more help for business with less forms to make out, and (symbolically) we hope, less actual domination of business by government.

Small Business Measure of Enterprise

I chose this particular example because I believe that the relationship of small business to government is vital. The people who have made the most careful studies of the subject agree that the measure of small business is the measure of the whole system of private enterprise, that if small business is crushed in the process of reconversion, all private enterprise will eventually be stultified and not only those great semi-public institutions, like the utilities and the mines, will suffer the fate predicted for them in England, but eventually all enterprise will find itself in government hands.

Let me say at this point, however, that some industries have already reached the point where they have forced government operation in other democratic countries and even some very conservative minds in this country are beginning to fear that similar conditions are being created by certain businesses themselves here.

But it is the purpose of those persons in government and out of it, who are struggling with the problem of preserving small business, to give it the aid it needs to preserve its independence.

> **In order to provide this aid it is essential that some compromises be made on the part of the businessmen. They cannot expect the government to provide them with help they have to have to get them over the hump of reconversion without making certain sacrifices—government officials cannot spend the public money without establishing some checks and balances on the institutions which are thus benefited.**

Filling out forms is one of th minor afflictions which government-comforted economic flesh is heir to.

However, it is refreshing to read Mr. Smith's report to Senator Murray in which he tells us of how, according to his custom, he has considered the requests of numerous government agencies for surveys and has turned them down. (His job is to save the people's money by preventing duplicate effort of government agencies.) He announces that statistical services of the government are going to be "revised and overhauled" in order to produce "a rounded program to supply the basic industrial statistics needed not only by the government, but by industry as well."

Most of the failures in little business are due to ignorance on the part of the proprietor of the one thing he ought to know most about—his own business. In the first place, he doesn't know whether he is making money or losing it because he doesn't keep his books properly and he doesn't know enough about the conditions in his line of business, outside his immediate ken, to guide him.

This is the type of information which the government wishes to collect and in turn place at his disposal.

One of the plans already worked out is a census of manufacturers of 1944 covering a wide field of data, which it is not my inteution to enumerate here for that is not the purpose of these remarks. The purpose is to note hopefully the fact that here is evidence of a trend which, in some measure, balances the other two mentioned at the beginning of these columns, the trend toward government control.

That is why I quote the following paragraph, not merely for the hope it brings to weary fillers-out of forms, but because it looks like a hopeful sign in an otherwise somewhat cloudy sky:

> **"An analysis made by one war agency of the need of present informational needs shows that about half such material would still be required by that agency after victory; of the remaining half about two-thirds would be discontinued entirely and about one-third continued by other agencies."**

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Railroads are now handling about 2½ times the amount of freight traffic and more than four times the volume of passenger business that they did before the war, the Association of American Railroads reported.

"They are carrying," the report added, "virtually double the load of the first World war, and they are doing it with a fourth fewer freight cars, about a fourth fewer passenger-train cars, and a third fewer locomotives than in 1918. The reduction in freight cars alone amounts to about 600,000 units."

BRIEFS . . . by Baukhage

A London transportation company is experimenting with a central entrance bus with a pneumatically operated door and central staircase.

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Twelve ships a day are now sliding down the ways in this country, according to Rear Adm. Frederick G. Crisp, director of the navy division on shore establishments and civilian personnel.

Cubans saw their first snow when boxes of it were flown all the way from New Hampshire to Havana last winter.

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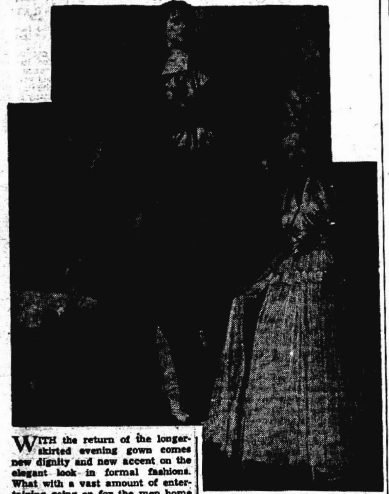
Siren-Slim or Bouffant Lines For Modish Long Evening Gowns

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



WITH the return of the longer-skirted evening gown comes new dignity and new accent on the elegant look in formal fashions. What with a vast amount of entertaining going on for the men home on furlough small wonder is it that the call for lovely dine and dance dresses is resounding throughout the fashion realm these days. Then too, it gives zest to the demand for dress-up clothes in that the holiday season is coming on with many plans for the social season which will then be at its height.

That the longer-length gown has definitely regained its former style prestige, there is no doubt. In creating the modish long dinner gowns and evening formals, designers are making approach from two different angles. The one leads to statuesque, siren-slim sheathlike gowns that bespeak dignity and ultra sophistication, setting a new high in lovely-lady fashions.

The other contrasts the sophisticate types with airy-fairy bouffant creations that are youthfully and entrancingly fashioned of yards and yards of fine net or sheerest marquisette, that billows about over a silk or satin foundation like snow-white clouds on a summer day. The skirts are topped with girlish bodice tops fitted to accent the slim waistline. They all have most beguiling decollette necklines, the off-shoulder effect being favored although there are many other attractive low-cut versions.

Elegance together with the appeal of youth is seen in the lovely holiday gown of white net over white satin shown to the right in the illustration. It has a halter-top bodice with a bouffant skirt of white net worked over shimmering white satin. Red sequin applique accentuates the graceful diagonal seaming of the bodice.

The achievement of the dinner gown shown to the left is in its suave lines and its gracious dignity. The beaded roses that cascade from shoulder to hip add a superb color touch. The narrow skirt is slit at the hemline in front, a styling technique that is featured in most of the new siren-slim evening gowns. The accompanying scarf, accented with the same beaded rose design, can be worn over the hair in the traditional senorita manner, or it can be knotted as a scarf at one shoulder. Scarfs are everywhere in the evening mode, either of self-fabric or glitter-embroidered sheer. In the artful bands of the wearer that understands its wiles and its witchery, a scarf adds greatly to the charm of a long stately gown.

Typical of the newest evening trend toward tall statuesque lines, the sheath dress centered in the group is of unusual interest. For this handsome gown the designer chose a purple in a soft violet tone for the material itself. Purple is a leading color favorite this season. Three fuchsia bows in satin with self-fringed edge dramatically highlight this gown at neckline, waist and knee. The side slit in the skirt adds glamour to scene in that it reveals with every move the beauty of exquisitely designed silver kid evening shoes.

There is much to be said in regard to the present flair for winter white in the evening mode. Made of white crepe or jersey in the new sculptural and draped lines, very simple save for a discreet use of crystal and silver embroidery, these prettily feminine gowns are among the fashion successes of the season. The white jacket blouse-top in silver and white brocade is also tres chic. Another featured fashion is the dance frock of rustling plaid taffeta, which young girls adore.

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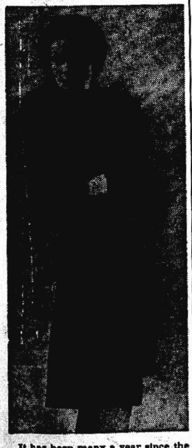
Fur Elegance



It has been many a year since the fur stole was "in style," but this fall it returned in all its glory. Something to covet is a long and luxurious stole of chiffon wild mink as here pictured. The stole is bound in the middle with a set-in band to form a cape at the back and two wide ends that drape around the arms.

Crocheted Jackets And Boudoir Capes

A happy answer to the call for something warm and "comfy" to wear about one's shoulders in a none-too-well heated home is found in a wide selection of attractive hand-crocheted bed-jackets and capes available in lingerie shops and departments. A new idea is the dual-purpose cape or jacket which, as the name implies, can be worn not only in one's boudoir but is styled so as to serve in more ways than one. This group includes a hand-crocheted long-sleeve jacket with snug wristbands. It can be made up into a charming lounging outfit with pajamas or a warm wool skirt and it's grand to wear when breakfast is served in your room. A long crocheted cape tied with bows under the arms is featured for afternoon wear in a chilly apartment. Being a cape, it can be worn over a robe without the problem of armholes to fit over sleeves. The collection also includes cunningly crocheted shoulder capes. If you have time and skill, you can make one of these for yourself.

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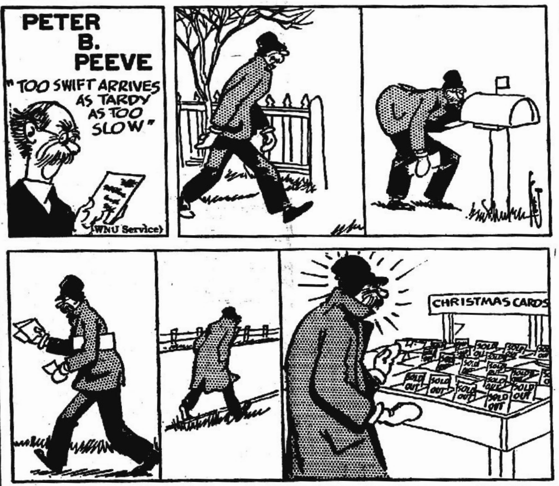

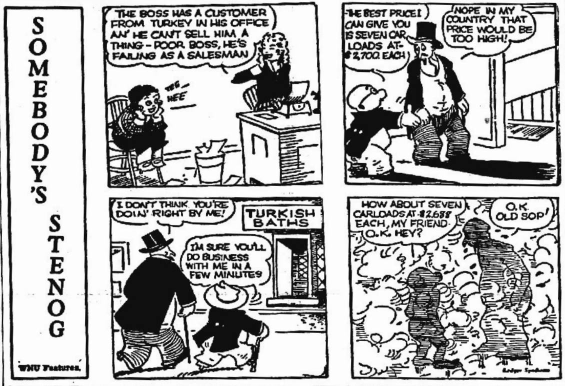
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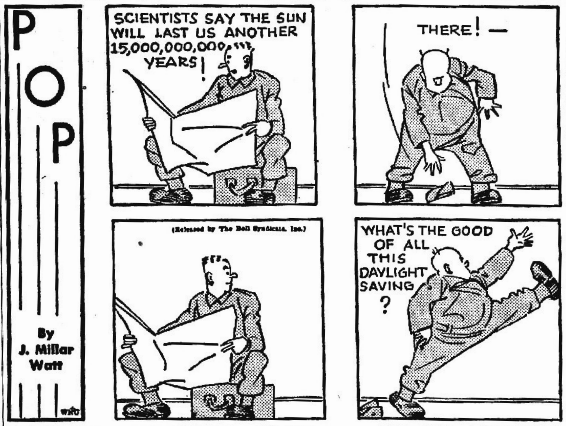
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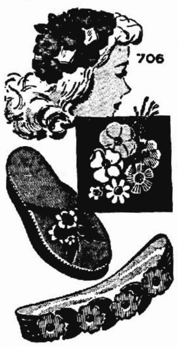

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Girl Scouts To Resume Meetings Saturday Morning

The Girl Scouts will meet at 11:00 o'clock Saturday morning in front of the Jacaranda Hotel, from where they will go to the USO for a shell craft class. This is the first meeting of the Girl Scouts, since they disbanded for the summer. The Woman's Club, sponsors of the organization, is arranging their participation in the class as an enjoyable phase of the Girl Scout work. All Scouts and those eligible for membership are invited to enjoy the privilege of attending the shell craft class.

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Births

Rev. and Mrs. John E. Daley are announcing the arrival of a baby son, Christopher Emerson, weighing seven pounds and nine ounces, who arrived at a Lake Wales hospital, Monday, November 27. Mrs. Daley and baby returned to their home in Avon Park Thursday of this week.

T/Sgt and Mrs. Chas. J. Snyder are announcing the arrival of a baby girl weighing seven pounds, who arrived Wednesday, Nov. 29. The little lady, who was born on her mother's birthday, has been named Sharon Lynn.

Legion District Commander to Visit

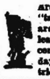
District Commander Van Wesel of Sarasota will pay an official visit to Highlands Post, American Legion Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Wauchula, Sebring and Lake Placid Legionnaires have been invited to meet here and make a joint session of the visit.

CONTEST FOR WOUNDED "G. I's"

A literary contest for any serviceman or woman who was wounded in action in this war has been announced by the E. P. Dutton & Co. Inc., the American Legion Auxiliary has been informed.

$5,000,000 wil be paid for the best book or manuscript submitted by a "G. I." of any rank, said paper not to exceed 50,000 words and sent in by January 1st, 1945.

Similar contests are being planned for 1945, 1946 and 1947.



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Post Office to Place New Postal Notes on Sale

Postmaster General Walker announced that a contract was awarded today for the manufacture of 100,000,000 Postal Notes and efforts are being made to place this new and inexpensive type of money order on sale at all of the 1575 First Class Post Offices by approximately January 1, 1945.

"The Postal Note epitomizes what we are attempting to accomplish in the entire administration of the Postal Service," Mr. Walker said. "We want the Postal Service to be characterized by efficiency and economy. We want to incorposate in our service as many as possible of the extraordinary advances and improvements which have been realized in American business. And we want, while performing our work as efficiently as we know how to do it, to charge no more for a specific service than that service costs."

The new type of money order will be made available to post offices other than the first class as rapidly as adequate stocks of Postal Notes come from the presses. However, from the beginning they must be cashed at any post office in the United States.

Eighteen denominations of stamps will be issued in connection with the oPstal Notes. They are 1c — 2c — 3c — 4c — 5c — 6c — 7c — 8c — 9c — 10c — 29c — 30c 40c — 50c — 60c — 70c — 80c — 90c. There will be eleven denominations of notes: 0 — $1 — $2 — $3 — $4 — $4 — $6 — $7 — $8 — $9 — $10.

The United States had Postal Notes from 1884 to 1894. They were limited, however, to fixed amounts and inasmuch as they were payable to bearer, they lacked the security of the conventional money order.

The new Postal Note is designed as a safe, convenient and economical way of sending through the mails amounts of money not exceeding 10. Simplified methods of sale and accounting makes it possible to handle the Notes at a uniform fee of 5c. The conventional money order is not being displaced by the new Note.

This is the procedure that will be followed when Postan Notes become available: A person who wants a Postal Note for $2.93 will go to the money order window. The clerk will affix a 90c and a 3c stamp to a $2 Postal Note, and exchange the Note for $2.98. There will be no applications for the purchaser to fill out, no writing to be done by the clerk. The purchaser leaves the window, writes in the name of the payee on the Note, detaches his record stub on which he records the payee's name, and mails the Postal Note. The note itself is a pre-punched calculating card form.

Postal Notes of fixed denominations, not exceeding $10. have been authorized by law since 1911. An amendment to the law was approved June 28, 1944, which removed the limitation of "fixed denominations" and fixed two calendar months from the date of issue as the period of validity.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LOUISA BANE, DECEASED.
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as administrator of the estate of Louisa Bane, deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Honorable THOS. A. McNICHOLAS, County Judge of HIGHLANDS county, Florida on the 27th day of December, 1944 for approval of the same and for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Louisa Bane, deceased.

This 23rd day of November, 1944.

PAUL L. RUMPSA,
Administrator of the Estate of LOUISA BANE,
Deceased.

MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

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FOR SALE: Jersey cow and 11 month old heifer calf; cow good milker, fresh in less than 30 days. Fred Talbert, 2½ miles west of Avon Park. 1tp.

FOR SALE — Small house and five lots, half block off Sebring road, inside city limits. Fenced for chickens. Mrs. Frank Kopta, Box 55.

WANTED TO RENT OR BUY — Baby buggy. Phone 163. 1tp.

WANTED — Clean cotton rags. Will pay 10 cents per pound. Apply Sun Office.

LOST — Six ration books. Three number four books, three number three books, belonging to Melvin A. Vreeland, Frostproof. If found, return to Sun office. 1tp.

LOST — Purse containing sum of money and valuable papers. Finder keep the money and return the purse. C. C. Rucker, City Trailer Camp. 1tp.

WILL PAY $25 REWARD — For return of my yellow and white stock dog. Answers to the name of "Buck." Has white ring around neck. Lost between Park Ridge and Avon Park on November 29. B. H. Griffin, Jr., Frostproof, Fla.

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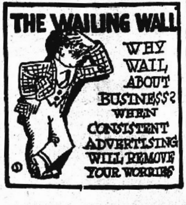

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Welfare Board to Mail Checks Before Christmas

Jacksonville, December 7, (Special) — Highlands County recipients of public assistance will receive their December payments prior to the Christmas holidays, State Welfare Commissioner Leland W. Hiatt announced here today.

By direction of the State Welfare Board, and in keeping with its custom, Hiatt said, payrolls will be written earlier in the month than usual so that checks may be mailed from the office of the State Comptroller not later than December 20. For convenience in handling, payrolls from all of the districts will not be sent in at the same time.

Old-age assistance checks for recipients in Highlands County are due to leave Tallahassee on December 16, according to the schedule.

All checks for recipients of aid to dependent children and recipients of aid to the blind will be mailed on December 20 at which time the supplemental payroll will also be posted.

"This is the first Christmas that funds have been sufficient to permit the State Welfare Board to meet 100 per cent of the budgetary need of all recipients, except in those instances where maximum payments allowed by law are inadequate, and it hopes that this will contribute proportionately to their happiness and well-being,' Commissioner Hiatt said in announcing the special preparation for speeding up the delivery of checks.

LT. LOHR PURCHASES HOME HERE

Lt. Ray Lohr, who recently returned from 13 months overseas service as a pilot on a B-17, stationed at a base in England, and is now an instructor at Hendricks Field, Sebring, has purchased a home on Lake Lotela from his sister, Mrs. J. L. Wells. Lt Lohr's wife and baby daughter, Patricia Gay, who have been residing in Tampa, during his absence, have joined him here in their new home.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JENNIE WAYCHOFF,
DECEASED
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as executor of the estate of Jennie Waychoff, Deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Honorable THOMAS A. MCNICHOLAS, County Judge of HIGHLANDS county, Florida on the 27th day of December, 1944 for approval of the same and for final discharge as executor of the estate of Jennie Waychoff, deceased.

This 23rd day of November, 1944.

E. RAY WELLS
Executor of the Estate of Jennie Waychoff,
Deceased.

MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY.
HENRY WILLIAM WILD,
PLAINTIFF,
VS.
LULA MAE WILD,
DEFENDANT.
ORDER TO APPEAR

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO LULA MAE WILD, DEFENDANT:

It is hereby ordered that you are required to appear on the first day of January, 1945, before the above entitled Court, in person or by attorney, to the bill of complaint filed against you, in which the plaintiff seeks a divorce from you, in the above entitled cause, and The Scenic Highlands Sun is hereby designated as the newspaper in which this order shall be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks.

Witness the Hon. D. O. Rogers as Judge of this Court and the Seal of this Court in the city of Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, this 17th day of November, 1944.

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

MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Avon Park, Florida.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

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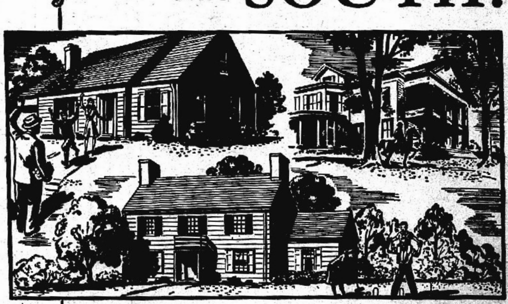

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THE AVON PARK TIMES, Established Mar. 1, 1929
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Any excuse you can give for not upping your payroll savings will please Hitler, Hirohito and puppet Mussolini.

Our Men In The Service

RETURNS HOME FROM PACIFIC

Sgt. Harold Porter, U. S. Marines, who has been in the South Pacific for the past 26 months arrived home this week, to spend the holidays and a well earned furlough with his mother, Mrs. Victoria Porter. After landing in the states, he returned home via Chicago, where he was married, his wife accompaning him on to Avon Park. Sgt. Porter has the soldiers medal, personal accommodation ribbon, presidential unit citation, pre-war ribbon, American Defense and Asiatic Pacific ribbons.

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Pvt H. L. Willis, Jr., U. S. Marines, is home after spending 31 months in the Southwest Pacific, where he took part in most of the island campaigns. He was in the Solomons, New Guinea, Saipan and Guam. He was wounded at Guam and sent home. Willis enlisted on January 22, 1941 at the age of 17. Few if any boys from here have seen as much service for their age. After his leave is up, he will return to Norfolk, Va., for further assignment.

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ENLISTS IN NAVY

Bobby Harden, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harden, has enlisted in the navy as an aerial gunner, and passed all of his examinations in Jacksonville and Atlanta this week. He returned home Thursday night, and is awaiting his call for assignment.

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T/Sgt. Harry Chadwick, with his infantry outfit in Italy, is in a hospital there, suffering from inflamatory rheumatism, according to word received this week by his wife. He has been overseas a month and this is the second time that he has been in the hospital.

Cpl. Ike Harden with the 8th engineers in the Phillipines writes he has met lots of natives, who are glad to see the Americans. He has also seen lots of dead Japs, he writes. Ike says he has gotten himself a monkey and a parrot. He has been overseas since a year ago last June, and was first stationed in Australia and the Admiralty Islands.

Pvt. John H. Lust, truck driver, and S/Sgt. James M. Williams, communications chief, are two Avon Park boys fighting in Italy with the 361st Infantry Regiment, which spearheaded the advance of Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army from Velletri to the Arno River without having once given ground. The 361st is part of the 91st "Powder River" division, currently in the Florence-Bologna drive. The regiment landed in Italy last May 31 and took part in preliminary battles culminating in the fall of Rome. Bypassing Rome, the regiment continued north on Highway 1 and participated in the fall of Tarquinia, Montalto, Magliano, Poggio di Moscana, Ponte d'Istria, and fought on to the Arno river which was reached July 17.

Pfc James G. Creel, son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Creel, is serving with 131st General Hospital unit in England. He is now working at post exchange of the general hospital where battle casualties are being treated.

Cpl Jack W. Foster, aerial gunner, is with the 15th Air Force in Italy. He is with the second bombardment group, a B-17 unit which traces its origin to World War 1 as the oldest heavy bomber group in American military history, and which recently flew its 300th mission in the Mediterranean theatre.

Amelia Ellis, has just finished two and a half years in the army, and has returned home from Camp Campbell, Ky., with a discharge. He was with an armored division.

Chas. O. Locke, combat demolition, U. S. Navy, has been promoted to gunner's mate, 2/c this week. Charles is stationed at the marine base at Fort Pierce.

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FRED GARRETT WRITES

CWO Fred Garrett, formerly with the old guard unit, with headquarters Battery 31 Division in the Netherlands East Indies, writes to Oscar Bridges that there are only 15 of the old outfit left. He mentioned Albin Ebi as one of the Avon Park boys with him. "We have Yankees of all sorts — Italians, Greeks, Slovaks, one Russian and a few Jews. Quite a mixed gang," but adds "the old national guard boys still hold most of the ratings, so I reckon the crackers are holding their own.

"We have been through two campaigns but haven't had any battle casualties. The artillery units haven't had much actual contact with the Japs. Snipers, infiltration parties, etc., mostly. I don't know for certain but artillery shelling has accounted for almost as many Jap casualties as our ground troops.

He was interrupted by a Jap raid and finished the letter next morning (Thanksgiving). No damage, he reports, and continues, "We have a fine location, near a nice beach and in a coconut grove. Plenty of shade so the hot weather isn't so bad. Day temperatures run 85 to 90 degree and it's cool enough at night for a GI blanket. Humidity is high and we are getting plenty of rain."

OPENS PACKING HOUSE

Rancho Margarita of Sebring has announced the purchase of the packing house on South Butler avenue, and started operating this week, packing gift boxes.

Ware Sponsors First Baby of 1945 Contest

Ware Furniture Company announces a First Baby of 1945 contest, which it is sponsoring for Avon Park and immediate trade area. The store will give valuable prizes to the first three babies born after midnight, December 31. Prizes will be awarded in order of arrival.

Proof of birth must be a letter from the doctor that delivered the baby, stating the time of birth, sex, name of baby and name and address of parents, according to rules published elsewhere in this issue. Avon Park Army Air Field is also included in the contest.

Prizes will be awarded Wednesday, January 10 and the winners' names will be published in the Sun on January 13, 1945.

Prizes to be awarded are:

First prize: Beautiful drop side baby crib, with sanitary felt mattress, covered with wet proof ticking.

Second prize: Baby carriage with varnished hardwood frame, rubber tires.

Third prize: Baby nursery chair natural finish, beaded tray. Prizes are on display at the store.

Avon Park Leads County in Sale Christmas Seals

Avon Park came from behind on the annual sale of Tuberculosis Christmas seals, the total sales this week amounting to $676.67. Sebring's total up until Wednesday afternoon was $427.93. The entire county's total sales for last week amounted to $2438.13, according to Mrs. H. W. Martin, executive secretary of the Highlands County Tuberculosis Association.

Last week's Avon Park sales amounted to $468.06, and Sebring's total was $744.68.

The Bangle Sale conducted through the Avon Park schools, with Miss Millie Pearson, as chairman, brought in a total of $187.50. The elementary grade prize went to Mrs. Florence Siegel's third grade, and the ninth grade in the high school group for raising the most money in the drive. The prizes were each one dollar.

Mrs. Martin stated that the response from the army personnel in this vicinity was most commendable. The officers and men at Avon Park Army Air Field and Hendricks Field both contributed very generously to the drive, and helped to raise the county's total to a splendid record.

Charleston Navy Yard Needs Workers

The Charleston Navy Yard has been given war manpower priority rating for recruitment of shipyard workers in this section of the fifth civil service region, according to announcement recently by Willard B. Lasseter, regional war manpower director.

This priority has been given because of the vital construction and repair work now under way at Charleston. The Navy needs hundred of skilled workers, and unskilled workers may be trained for special work. Qualified persons not already in special war work are urged to contact or write Miss Annette Moore, civil service representative for Central Florida. Miss Moore is in Lakeland at the U. S. Employment Service office every Tuesday. Her mail address is Orlando, Fla. For further information apply to Marshall Davis at the Avon Park post office.

Bond Sales Short of Goal as Drive Closes Saturday

Total sales of $271,600 were announced for the Sixth War Loan drive by Chairman R. R. Brown today. Avon Park's quota of $300,000 is still $28,400 short of fulfillment, according to the figures, but Brown was confident this figure would be met and surpassed before the official close of the drive Saturday night, December 16. The drive continues through December, and all purchases for the balance of the month will apply on the city's quota.

Sale of E series bonds is still a little short, Brown stated. Avon Park's quota is $127,000.

Report of sales show: Barnett Bank, $189,550; post office, $4,150; APAAF, $77,900. Sales are figured at maturity value of bonds, and include payroll deductions.

RECEIVES MEDICAL DISCHARGE

James W. Anderson, who has been in the army air corps service for the past 13 months, has received a medical discharge, and returned home this week. He had been in army hospitals in Jackson, Miss., and Memphis, Tenn., six weeks before receiving his discharge.

WSCS TO HAVE PARTY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will hold their annual Christmas Party in The Hut Tuesday afternoon at 3:00. White Christmas gifts will be made.

Cattle Minerals Necessary For Animal's Growth

Due to the fact that Florida soils are deficient in certain minerals necessary for the successful growth of cattle, some cattle do not grow well, or even develop what is known as "salt sickness." The longer the ranges are used and the more beef and veal are sold from them, the worse the condition gets. The fact that our soils are "sour" or "acid" is proof that they are lacking in calcium, so we cannot expect to grow good strong bones in cattle depending on grass grown on sour, calcium and phosphorous deficient land. This is the cause of slow growth and weak bones and why many range cows only calve every two or three years.

There are two ways to overcome this condition. The best way is to supply the land on which the grass grows with the minerals that are lacking, and luckily, the two elements needed in the largest quantities, namely, calcium and phosphorous, can be supplied with Florida ground limestone and ground rock phosphate. Both of these should be applied at the rate of about a ton per acre and will last for 10 to 15 years. The addition of these minerals to the soils also greatly increases the grass production because the grass is also starved for these elements.

Copper is another mineral lacking for both plant and animal life and should be supplied in the form of granular copper sulphate at the rate of 15 pounds per acre for sand land and 50 pounds for muck land.

Whether soils have been treated with minerals or not, cattle should be provided with mineral salt licks. This will enable them to get what they have not gotten from the soil. Cobalt has been found very lacking on both muck and sand land and aluminum on muck land. These salt licks should be sheltered boxes, located in places where the cattle congregate for water or shade and there should be at least two per square mile.

The salt mixtures for the licks should be made up of equal parts of feeding bone meal and salt with one pound of granular copper sulphate, and one ounce of cobalt sulphate added and thoroughly mixed for each 100 pounds. If the cattle are on muck land, one pound of aluminum sulphate should be added. If feeding bone meal cannot be obtained, deflourinated rock phosphate may be used in its place, but it is not as palatable and should be cut to 40% of the mixture; and 5 pounds cottonseed, soybean or peanut meal, or dairy or horse feed in order to make the mixture more palatable and to get the cattle to lick it.

From observations made on our ranges a word of caution is in order. Don't put out more mineral than the cattle will consume in a week. It gets stale in the open boxes and they will eat more if it is put out in small quantities and often. I have seen cattle starving for mineral on ranges where the salt licks were half filled with old, hard, moldy salt lick mineral.

Another word of caution may be added. The old originial commonly called "red mineral" is of little value. It does not have any of the calcium and phosphorous so badly needed and it is now thought by our investigators that the benefit derived from the red oxide of iron that was used came from a trace of cobalt it carried, and since cobalt is now added the 20 pounds of red iron oxide used is of no value and actually detrimental since it is not palatable.

When you purchase salt lick material from a feed company, see that it meets the above specifications. Don't expect to grow good cattle or get good calf crops unless your cattle can get the things that make them grow.

Table Supply Super Market Opens in Avon Park

The Avon Park Table Supply Super Market opened at 8:00 o'clock Thursday morning, the store being packed and jammed all day with housewives hunting bargains among the well stocked shelves of groceries and in the meat department. L. M. Leach, formerly of Arcadia, is manager of the store, and W. R. Russ is in charge of the meat market.

The store building has recently been completely remodeled and redecorated throughout. The floor is covered with blocks of inlaid linoleum, and flourescent lights, huge individual vegetable bins, and wide shelves against the white walls and in center arrangements, contribute to the modernistic theme of the store.

Major McClelland Speaker at Rotary

Major Harold M. McClelland was speaker at the local Rotary Club's luncheon meeting on Wednesday.

Major McClelland, a native of Avon Park, and veteran fighter pilot with 275 missions to his credit, told the Club about his experiences after leaving the U. S. in November 1941.

December 7, found McClelland within five miles of Pearl Harbor at the time of the attack. Later McClelland moved on to Australia and then to New Guinea.

Major McClelland responded to a lively question and answer session which was of great interest to all his listeners.

Week of Dec. 26 Declared Cleanup Week

At a joint meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and the Civic Pride Organization the week of December 26th to January 2nd was declared as CLEAN UP WEEK. R. E. Maysack, President of the C. P. O. appointed the following committee, C. E. Lanier, Chairman, F. W. Shockley, Mrs. C. P. Anderson, Mrs. E. W. Hartt, and Fred Simcox. This committee is to contact and work with the city and other individuals in carrying out this Clean Up Week program. The committee will meet with the city council at their Tuesday meeting where arrangements will be completed. The organization feel that there will be a lull in shipping of fruit during this time whereby trucks and labor can be secured and in the meantime, suggested that the citizens of Avon Park look over their properties with the idea in mind that they will have the use of the committee's equipment in hauling off garbage and refuse. After definite plans are completed notice will appear in The Sun. It is hoped that all citizens will cooperate 100% in this weeks program.

The organization wishes to call attention again to the Honor Roll system which is to begin January the first, whereby any citizen, firm, corporation, or association who has completed the cleaning of their property can be placed on this Honor Roll on approval of the Civic Pride Organization.

The matter of a Community Center was discussed and something definite will be done toward this in the early part of 1945.

The organizations extended a vote of thanks to the city for their cooperation and work toward Projects No. 1 and No. 2 which doubtless will be completed during the designated Clean Up Week.

Farmers Receiving Forms For Filing Income Tax

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Dec. 8, 1944 — U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue John L. Fahs announced today that Forms 1040 ES (Declaration of Estimated Income Tax) and 1040 (Final Ret. for 1944) were being mailed to all farmers in Florida who had filed estimates for last year, for use in preparing their 1944 Declaration of Estimated Income Tax and / or their final return.

The 1944 law provides that farmers must file a declaration of estimated income with the office of the Collector on or before January 15, 1945, for income received during 1944. However, Mr. Fahs points out that the law further provides that in the event the farmer is prepared to file his final return for 1944 between Jan. 1 and Jan. 15, 1945, he may do so, remitting the tax in full and thereby forego the necessity of filing a declaration of estimated income tax.

In the event he elects to file the declaration on or before January 15th, he may, of course, await the filing of his final return to a date on or before March 15, 1945. However, the estimates must be in an amount equal to 66 2/3 per cent of the tax liability finally determined to be due, and said amount must be paid in full by Jan. 15th to avoid penalty.

If you do not receive your form or desire assistance in the preparation of same, contact the nearest U. S. Collector's office.

Waste Paper Drive In Progress; Collection Jan. 6

Waste paper is still essential for war purposes. People are asked to tie up their newspapers and magazines in bundles and, where convenient, pool them with neighbors to facilitate collecting. Trucks will collect north of Main St. Saturday January 6th and south of Main St. January 13th. Considerable quantities may be taken up sooner by notifying Byrum Shockley or R. E. Maysack. Bundles may be left at the Scout Hall, 81 N. Forrest Ave. at any time.

Merchants are asked to flatten out their cartons and hold them to be called for at regular intervals.

We're not pointing at anybody, but we know a certain Scotch friend who doesn't like to send his children to school because they have to pay at-

Cities Hunting New Revenues

(BY RUSSELL KAY)

An inkling of what may be looked forward to at the next legislative session was revealed at the recent conference of the Florida League of Municipalties held in Jacksonville.

Determined to get their share of state funds to offset loss experienced with the passage of the Homestead Exemption Amendment, spokesmen for Florida cities made known their intention to seek aid from the legislature and estimated a minimum of $8,000,000 from state funds as necessary if Florida municipalties are to stay in business and provide citizens with efficient service.

These spokesmen point out that since the enactment of the Homestead law the revenues of our municipalities have been curtailed that such services as garbage collection, sewerage disposal, policing and fire-fighting operations have been maintained only under the severest handicaps and few cities have had funds to purchase new equipment or even keep such as they have in repair.

The situation today was described as both dangerous and deplorable. During the last ten years equipment and plants have become obsolete, few if any replacements have been made and most communities are struggling to maintain service with old worn out dilapidated material and now find that they have scraped the bottom of the barrel with no funds for either replacement or repair.

Mayors and City Managers see a possible solution to their problem in the cigarette tax and in all probability they will make a determined effort to have this increased from 3c, the present rate, to 4c, funds from such increased revenue to be allocated to the cities.

On the other hand there will undoubtedly be an attempt made to reduce or eliminate the cigarette tax but any such effort would to have little hope for success. The merchant who opposed the tax at the last session has found that instead of harming him it has actually helped and he makes more money from the sale of cigarettes today than he did before the tax was put on. The public hasn't found the tax burdensome and sales have increased rather than decreased since the tax was imposed. The average cigarette purchaser today finds himself paying from 19c to 20c a pack and the OPA allows a ceiling price of 19c which gives the retailer more profit than he made before tax and ceilings were applied. But if the tax is increased in a manner that will cut the retailer's profit then you can look for a real fight in that direction. Even if it is raised to 4c the dealer is not very apt to complain and the public with more money to spend and little respect for pennies, uncomplainingly shell out 20c for a pack of cigarettes they got for 15c or two-for-a-quarter prior to the tax.

Another possible source of revenue suggested at the Municipal League convention was a 20 per cent tax on fire insurance policies which, it was estimated, should produce about a million and a half dollars. It was pointed out that since the cities are charged with the responsibility of maintaining fire protection, a small tax on fire insurance to provide revenue for better fire protection would be in line.

It goes without saying that insurance companies will not concur and any attempt to impose such a tax at the coming session will meet stiff resistance from insurance people who have learned from experience that once a tax of any kind is imposed, it not only remains but is frequently increased.

Midnight oil is burning in many an office where representatives of this or that group or interest are busy with schemes and plans to "get their share" of the tax money, and none of them care very much what happens to the other fellow. Schools, boards, bureaus, departments, agencies, counties and districts all want their piece of pie, and if there is not enough to go around, well, then we can always figure out ways to "tax and tax and spend and spend" and so legislators who nobody paid much attention to a few months ago are finding themselves, very, very popular today.

The old watchword "economy" has become obsolete of late years and the general attitude of the public and public servant today seems to be "What do we care for expenses, we've got lots of 'em, so set 'em up in the other alley, boy, and hand me that BIG ball and be ready to chalk up another STRIKE."

Clean-Up Week Dec. 26-Jan. 2

The Civic Pride Organization has declared the week beginning December 26th to January 2nd as clean-up week.

All citizens are urged to assist and cooperate in order that this campaign will be successful.

S/Sgt. William T. Kerklin, who recently returned from 20 months service in England, as a waist gunner on a B-17.

Masons Elect Officers for Year; Plan Installations

Masonic bodies of Avon Park have elected new officers for the coming year.

Officers of Masonic Lodge, Poincianna Lodge, No. 227 F. & A. M. were elected for the ensuing year at the meeting Dec. 4 are Howard C. Maddox, worshipful master; George H. Reeder, senior warden; Kenneth F. Harris, junior warden; John H. Hood, treasurer; S. Colquitt Pardee, secretary. Installation will be held December 27.

Highlands Chapter No. 42, Royal Arch Masons, held its election Monday night, and named V. G. Watters, Sebring, high priest; Ed Hasti, Sebring, king; K. F. Harris, scribe; Fred M. Smith, treasurer; Howard Maddox, secretary.

Holyrood Commandery No. 27, Knights Templar, has elected Phillip Correll, DeSoto City, eminent commander; V. G. Watters, vice commander; S. C. Pardee, captain general; K. F. Harris, recorder; D. G. Perry, treasurer.

The Chapter and the Commandery will hold joint installation January 8th.

Leigh Chapter No. 85, Order of the Eastern Star held its election Thursday night. Thelma Willis was named worthy matron; K. F. Harris, worthy patron; Mrs. Jennie Hinkle, associate matron; Howard Maddox, associate patron; Mrs. James Bowman, treasurer; Mrs. Loca Stuckey, secretary; Mrs. K. F. Harris, conductress; Mrs. Ella Crews, associate conductress. Installation will be held January 9th by Past Worthy Grand Matron Mamie Landers.

Heavy Frost May Cause Damage to Citrus Fruit

Heavy frost Friday morning damaged truck and citrus crops in low areas, according to first reports received today. Temperatures as low as 20 degrees were reported by Avon Florida Citrus Corporation. This was for sections 16 and 17, always considered the coldest spots of the company's groves. Thermometers in section 35 showed low of 24, while the Lake Letta section reported low of 25.

Some fruit in low spots showed icy condition this morning, which may result in a certain amount of damage, the extent of which is not yet known.

W. W. Giddens, cooperative weather observer reported a low of 33 on his government thermometer. Grove thermometers hang out in the open and register considerably lower than the closed-in thermometers.

Feeding Molasses Available to Applicants

Word has been received that Florida will be allotted 25,000 gallons of feeding molasses for the winter to be purchased from the United States Sugar Corporation of Clewiston.

Livestock feeders and feed dealers desiring to secure molasses must get their request for the amount they need in to Harold Roland, Chemical Bureau, W. P. B., Washington, D. C., before December 20th and request should be worded as follows:

"Refer M-54. Request permission to purchase —— gallons molasses from U. S. Sugar Corporation for feeding direct to livestock."

Upon receipt of the above request the W. P. B. will issue to the applicant a letter which can be presented to the Sugar Corporation for the allotment.

The time is short for making this application and immediate action will have to be taken by anyone desiring to secure molasses.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES

F. D. Webster, 73, former resident died recently at his home in Rochester, N. Y., it has been learned by his cousin, Frank Richardson. Death was caused by a heart attack and paralysis. He was a former regular winter visitor, and still retains property interests here.

—SOCK YOUR SAVINGS INTO BONDS—

Churches Join In Community Xmas Service

A Community Christmas Festival, featuring music by combined church choirs, numbers by the high school band and carols by school children will be held at the high school auditorium Sunday night, December 17 at 8:30. The program is sponsored by the Avon Park Woman's Club, with Gene Gorman director.

Rev. John E. Daley, rector of the Episcopal Church will open the program with invocation.

Grammar school children, composed of 100 voices, will sing Christmas carols under the direction of Mrs. Frank Morgan, director of music in elementary schools of the county.

The high school band, under direction of Gene Gorman, will render an overture "Christmastide" (DeLamater).

The community choir, composed of singers of the Congregational, Methodist, Baptist and Episcopal churches, will sing "It Came Upon the Midnight" (Oley Speaks).

Mrs. Ralph Stillwell will tender "The Birthday of a King" (W. H. Neidlinger.)

The community choir will render another number, "There's a Song in the Air" (Oley Speaks).

Mrs. Chas. Kenney, president of the Woman's Club will make a brief talk, and Mrs. Ralph Stillwell will render another song, followed by the closing number, "Gesu Bambino" (Pietro A Yon) by the community choir.

Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., will assist as accompanist.

Urges Planting Memorial Trees

By Edwin A. Menninger

The planting of beautiful trees as living memorials to men and women in the military service who fail to return, offers a new field for civic organizations in Florida.

With the sponsorship of the Florida Press Association, this tree planting idea is being presented to the public by publishers from Pensacola to Key West because Florida with its warm sun and adequate rainfall can grow more different kinds of beautiful trees than any other state in the Union.

Flowering trees are particularly well suited to the purposes of a memorial because at least once a year they clothe themselves in a mantle of beauty to signalize the renewing of life, the dawn of another year, the refreshing of an evergreen memory.

The warm regions of the earth on both sides of the equator offer an amazing variety of beautiful trees which will grow in Florida, and gradually through the years courageous experimenters have been establishing some of these strangers here to brighten our landscape. Shade trees to protect us from the hot sun, hard-wooded trees to protect us from the violent storm, soil-building trees that take chemicals from the water and air about them to enrich our lands, showy-flowered trees that put beauty in our hearts — these are the trees Florida needs and which the tropics of all the world can so richly and willingly provide.

The desire to establish memorials for loved ones who fail to return from the wars, give impetus to the tree-planting idea all over Florida. Living, growing trees mean so much more to the community they serve than can any cold piece of stone. Generations still unborn will enjoy the restful shades of Private John Doe's tree, or the flowering beauty of Lieut. Bill Smith's honor tree on Main Street's parkway — these are memorials that do not crumble into dust but stay green in the hearts of men. Suitable metal plaques attached to the trees will make John and Bill live on in their home town for many years to come, taking an active part in the job of making that town a better place to live.

A decision on what kinds of trees to plant should be based on considerations of the location in Florida, whether it is desired to provide just shade or flowers or both, whether the tree must be evergreen, what kind of soil will be used, whether the tree will be planted near streets or cement walks, and certain other factors.

The Florida Press Association has appointed a tree-planting committee and there is in preparation a leaflet covering the subject briefly, recommending more than 100 out-of-the-ordinary trees that are suitable for memorial plantings and suggesting where they can be obtained. To get a copy of this leaflet, write, enclosing 10c, to Russell Kay, secretary Florida Press Association, Tampa, Florida.

COVENANT CIRCLE

The Covenant Circle of Union Congregational Church will meet Dec. 20th at 3 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Wm Hauptmann. Mrs. E. S. Hedgebeth will lead devotions, and the program, in charge of Miss atherine Cutler will include the Christmas offering for Missionary projects.

All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Jap Reinforcements Smashed; Yanks Weaken Nazi Strength; Iron Out Huge Highway Program

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

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

Supported by tanks in the rear, U. S. infantrymen advance near Geilenkirchen inside Germany on western front.

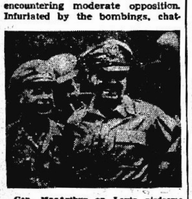
PACIFIC:

Smash Reinforcements

Despite the fact that ground fighting on Leyte island stalled in bad weather, with November rainfall totaling 23½ inches, there was no lull in action in the Philippines.

As Jap General Yamashita tried to take advantage of the inclement weather to reinforce his beleaguered troops on Leyte, U. S. airmen rose to combat enemy transports ploughing through western Philippine waters to Ormoc. In one long assault on a convoy, U. S. aviators sank 10 enemy transports, sending 4,000 troops to the bottom, and bringing total Jap losses in reinforcement attempts to 26 ships with a tonnage of 92,750 and 21,000 men.

Meanwhile, B-29s continued their raids over the Tokyo industrial area, encountering moderate opposition. Infuriated by the bombings, chattering Japanese news commentators threatened that "albino apes" parachuting onto Japanese soil from distressed Superfortresses would be "killed on the spot by angry people."



Gen. MacArthur on Leyte airdrome with Ace Bong (at left) and Lt. Gen. George Kenney (right).

Japs Gain

Pushed to the wall in the Philippines, the Japs had better luck in China, where Chiang Kai-shek's armies were hard put to it in an attempt to blunt an enemy drive aimed at cutting the Burma road to Chungking.

Thrusting westward from their north-south juncture at Liuchow, where they joined to seal off the whole eastern Chinese coast, Jap columns stood about 100 miles from the Burma road, key communications line linking much of the southern part of the country.

As the Japs pressed forward, they claimed 50,000 Chinese troops were falling back on the big highway bastion of Kweiyang, where a strong stand was expected to block any drive further northward toward Chungking, Kai-shek's headquaretrs.

HIGHWAYS:

Postwar Project

Following separate action by both houses, senators and representatives got together in the nation's capital to settle on a definite postwar federal highway program, the first major public works project planned for peacetime.

After the senate had approved of the expenditure of $450,000,000 annually for three years after the war for construction of rural, secondary and urban highways, the house passed a bill providing for $500,000,000 annually for three years.

Under both versions, states would have to contribute an equal amount of money for road projects, and sums would be distributed throughout the country on the basis of regional importance. Under the house bill, for instance, $775,000,000 would be allotted for rural highways, $450,000,000 for secondary roads and $375,000,000 for urban arteries.

WESTERN FRONT:

Battle of Attrition

To the Nazis being pressed back to the Rhine, the great battles raging along the western front were "the most ferocious in all history."

To doughboys of the U. S. Ninth First, Third and Seventh armies, slogging forward in heavy gush, they were the hardest of the war, with desperate resistance encountered at every step.

With airplane activity limited by somber skies and rainfalls, the battle was being fought along the ground, with heavy U. S. field artillery and big, rumbling tanks pouring their deadly fire into enemy entrenchments to clear the way for the doughboys of the infantry.

Although General Patton's Third army about the Saar, and General Patch's Seventh army east of the Vosges, maintained heavy pressure on Nazi lines, the focal point of action centered on the Ninth and First army fronts between Julich and Duren.

East of the small, but strategic, Roer river, both of these towns are vital communications centers, with elaborate highways running in from the Rhineland to feed other roadways running to the north and south.

As the great battle of attrition—wearing down—rose in tempo, this highway network was vital to the Germans in rushing troops and materials to the endangered front, and then transferring them to the north and south.

Indicative of the great pressure General Eisenhower was exerting in this sector was the report that his opponent, foxy Field Marshal von Rundstedt, had transferred troops from the Dutch front to the Julich-Duren sector to cope with the Allied powerhouse.

No sooner had the report come through than it was announced that Canadian troops had taken the field on the Dutch front, increasing Allied pressure back in this sector, and giving the German high command no rest.

Slowed in their frontal assault on Budapest, Russian armies crossed the Danube to the south of the Hungarian capital to thrust one spearhead northward toward the embattled city and another westward toward the Austrian frontier, less than 100 miles away.

SEDITION TRIAL:

Death Ends It

With the death of 65-year-old Justice Edward C. Eicher of Iowa, the seven-month-long, and at times farcical, sedition trial of 26 defendants in Washington, D. C., came to an abrupt end, with small chance of resumption.

Although government counsel said the trial could go on if both the U. S. and defendants agreed to the selection of another judge, it was recalled that a federal court previously had ruled that justice required completion of a case by the same judge and jury and no substitutions could be made, even with consent. Thus, the government was faced with the alternative of starting new proceedings.

Even though the trial of the 26 defendants, accused of trying to undermine the morale of the U. S. armed forces and establish a Nazi form of government in this country, had already taken up seven months, government counsel revealed that at least six more months would be necessary to complete presentation of its evidence. With defendants' attorneys expected to consume an additional three to six months, the case promised to last about a year and a half.

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

Meat: The largest production of beef and veal on record for any November was made at federally inspected meat packing plants last month, according to a review of the livestock and meat situation today by the American Meat institute. Total production of all meat last month was 1,539,000,000 pounds. This was 6 per cent more than that produced in October.

Fat Calf: Seven hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars in war bonds was the sale value of a pure bred Holstein bull calf at Omaha recently. A life insurance company in Omaha "bought" the calf for $380,000 in bonds and then they offered it for sale again with the Douglas County Dairy Breeders association paying $375,000 for the animal, which they will put in service.

CANADA:

Worst Crisis

Although pudgy Prime Minister MacKenzie King looked to a vote of confidence from Canada's parliament over the question of partially conscripting the home army for overseas service, it was expected to come only after one of the most severe crises of the country.

Principal hostility to King's compromise proposal to send over 16,000 of the home guard to the European front to bolster the volunteer force came from the province of Quebec, where the French, long allowed to keep their own speech and customs and religion, stood firmly on their traditional opposition to conscription.

Where the rub came in was that King long has depended upon Quebec for political support, and the province, almost to the last, pressed the prime minister to abide by his government's earlier pledge against conscription for overseas service despite his obvious effort to compromise by restricting the number of draftees to 16,000.

Despite Quebec's violent opposition, King relied upon his compromise to draw some support from its representatives to ride out the storm.

Yanks in Battle

With the greater number unknown heroes, U. S. soldiers, slogging through the mush on the western front into Germany, are only identified in the mass as members of the various army units driving onward.

Included in General Simpson's 9th army battling along the Roer river were the 2nd armored division, the 29th, 30th and 102nd infantry divisions, organized in the 19th corps.

With General Hodges' 1st army fighting east of Aachen were the 3rd and 5th armored divisions, and 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 8th, 9th, 28th, 38th, and 104th infantry divisions, organized in 5th, 7th, and 8th corps.

General Patton's 3rd army driving into the Saar included the 4th, 6th and 10th armored divisions, and 5th, 26th, 35th, 80th, 90th and 95th infantry divisions, organized in the 12th and 20th corps.

Fighting alongside the French in General Patch's 7th army east of the Vosges were the 3rd, 36th, 44th, 45th, 79th, 100th and 103rd U. S. infantry divisions, organized in 6th and 15th corps.

Among other units reported on the western front were the 82nd and 101st U. S. airborne divisions and the 7th U. S. armored and 94th U. S. infantry divisions.

NEW FACE:

Smiling Diplomat

As elder statesman Cordell Hull, 73, passed from the presidential cabinet, his place as secretary of state was assumed by personable Edward Stettinius, 44, another of the nation's big business men who have made good recently in governmental ranks.

Edw. Stettinius

Son of a Morgan partner, Stettinius, talked out of joining the ministry, started his own business career in the stock room of a roller-bearing works, then rose rapidly as vice president of General Motors and, at 37, as chairman of the U. S. Steel corporation. Smiling, hearty and blunt, Stettinius has been chiefly noted for his ability in handling people.

Secretary of State for 12 years, Hull held the post longer than any other American in history before forced out by ill health. In the position, he worked for a freer world trade through his reciprocal agreements, and from the first advocated use of force for the suppression of aggression. An old line southerner in a new deal government, Hull was considered a tempering factor in a liberal administration.

FARM INCOME:

Up Again

With income from crops 10 per cent greater than last year, and receipts from livestock and livestock products 4 per cent more, farm income for the first 10 months of 1944 totalled $18,430,000,000, 6 per cent above the same period in 1943, the U. S. department of agriculture reported.

At the same time, the USDA said that farm prices, which have only changed about 2 per cent within the last year, would probably remain exceptionally stable for several more months.

With the 1944-'45 domestic supply of the four principal feed grains put at 132,500,000 tons, the USDA declared that not only would all requirements be met, but additions would be made to reserves, cut substantially in the 1941-'43 feed years.

WAR BONDS

With government outgo in the first nine months of the present fiscal year ending in July totalling $82,000,000,000, and receipts equalling $35,000,000,000, Uncle Sam will be forced to borrow $47,000,000,000, War Finance Director Ted Gamble said.

Of the $82,000,000,000, Gambel revealed, $72,000,000,000 will be spent on the war and other government uses, while $10,000,000,000 will represent money needed to redeem securities maturing within the nine months.

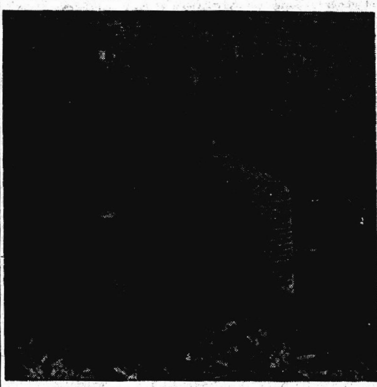
Tighter Competition After War Demands Soil Fertility Be Maintained at High Level

Elements Taken From Soil by Bumper Crops Should Be Replaced

What will the coming transition from war to peacetime economy mean to American agriculture?

That question has been raised with increasing frequency not only by dirt farmers but by so-called agricultural economists, too, as Uncle Sam's armies and fleets have won smashing victories overseas and as prayed-for peace becomes a closer possibility.

One thing is clear. When the war ends, the farmer's situation will be a good deal different from that of the manufacturer or industrialist. The farmer's peak production job will be completed. Vast stocks of food and fiber will be in storage; competition for markets will be keen. Industry, on the other hand, will be reconverting from war production to the greatest peacetime output in history. The backlog of demand for virtually every commodity used in civilian life — automobiles, machinery, building materials, refrigerators, radios, heating equipment, household furnishings — will be big enough to require years of high-geared industrial activity.



Some economists believe that if peacetime industrial output and employment remain high—say at about 150 billion dollar income level annually—the demand for farm products would be sufficient to absorb a total production at about 1943 levels.

But even if the nation's efforts to maintain postwar production and employment succeed, farm economy must be prepared to withstand some shocks. The switch from peace to war will inevitably bring changes in farm methods to cope with new techniques in marketing and production. In such a setup, the individual farmer who uses antiquated methods or who fails to maintain the fertility level of his soil is doomed to failure.

Three Big Problems.

Most farm authorities are of the opinion that postwar agriculture will face three major problems:

1. **Farm acreage, vastly expanded to meet wartime food demands will have to be reduced. That means more efficient farming on fewer acres.**
2. **Farm surpluses may become a peacetime headache.**
3. **War-spurred farm income will inevitably decline when the present abnormal demand for food slackens.**

In 1944 farm crop acreage goals totaled 371 million acres, compared with 325 million acre plantings in prewar years. That is an increase of 46 million acres. Commenting recently on the adjustments that will be necessary to fit postwar requirements, Chester Davis, former AAA administrator and now president of the Federal Reserve bank of St. Louis said:

"The farm plant has been expanded beyond the capacity needed to supply abundantly the peacetime domestic market and any normal export market that may be available. Farmers will face real need for acreage adjustments and in some areas shifts may be drastic."

The second problem — farm surpluses — will not be troublesome so long as the war lasts. Food needs of our Allies and liberated regions may keep it quiescent for a while even after Germany cracks up. But in some future day it will become a worrisome reality.

Reports from liberated countries indicate that the food supply situation there is less acute than had been anticipated. France, the Balkans, Poland and even eventually Germany may require less food from our supply than we had been counting on. Stocks of goods in Great Britain are reported to be 5,500,000 tons, against a normal 1,500,000 tons. These reserves have been built up substantially from lend-lease shipments out of this country. If these were reduced to say, 2,000,000 tons when the war ends, there would be left about 3,500,000 for relief. Surveys by the Stanford Food Research institute support the belief that Europe won't be much of a market for our food surpluses.

When Germany Surrenders.

Some decline in food prices can be expected after Germany's defeat, for then both military and lend-lease buying of farm commodities is likely to taper off. This need be only a gradual movement until some downward adjustment can be effected in production volume. By the end of the Japanese war, the reconversion from war to peacetime production of civilian goods should be well under way. Prices, however, could go to 90 per cent of parity for the basic crops. The government is pledged to step in at that level with support for at least two years after the war, so no further severe drop than that may be necessary.

All of the foregoing factors spell competition in the farmer's postwar operations. Farmers can arm themselves now to meet that competition and to withstand the economic shocks that will accompany the transition period. If they do some straight thinking they can be stronger at the war's end than they were at its beginning. First of all, they can safeguard their future by keeping their finances in a liquid condition, by buying war bonds, by shunning debt and by avoiding the pitfalls of overexpansion through the purchase of additional farm land. Secondly, they can take out an "insurance policy" for long-range farm productivity by undertaking a soil fertility rebuilding program.

Present high food prices have already lured some farmers into land speculation and overexpansion. Such recklessness brought ruin to millions in the wake of World War I. It can bring disaster again this time.

"During and immediately after the last war when food prices were even higher proportionately than they are now, many farmers were foolish enough to mortgage their own farms in order to buy more land," a recent statement of the Middle West Soil Improvement committee points out. "The sellers were canny operators who preferred to take their own cold profit on real estate rather than gamble on the chances of food prices remaining eternally high.

"The memory of the crash and deflation that followed is still painfully fresh.

"After the present war, American farmers will have to compete in world markets. Because of current income levels the temptation to acquire additional acreage is strong. Some farmers believe it is a smart move because with more and better machinery available after the war and their sons coming home from the army, they will be able to work more land than hitherto.

Homesteads for Soldiers.

"The government is already planning to give homesteads to servicemen. When this is done, the owner of an expensive farm will be in a tough spot to produce crops in competition with the man who has no capital investment in the soil portion of his food factory.

"The only way the American farmer can successfully compete either in domestic or world markets in postwar years, is by producing crops at a lower cost per unit. In such a program, the steady use of mixed fertilizer containing nitrogen, phosphorus and potash will be an enormously important factor. More bushels per acre can, and will mean more food from less land. It will also mean more good food per acre to help build healthier human beings and farm animals in the future."

The need for building up the soil's productivity is widely recognized as a postwar "must." No less an authority than Secretary of agriculture Claude Wickard recently declared: "Now is the time for farmers to worry about soil fertility."

In answer to any farmer's statement that "My yields are better than ever," Secretary Wickard counters with this question:

"Ask yourself how much better machinery and better plant varieties have had to do with those increases. Over much of our best farm land, better yields are the most pronounced cause of accelerated soil depletion — a steady decline that most farmers can't see yet, but which could bring a nationwide crisis in soil fertility.

"No great nation can afford to neglect the productivity of its soil. The problems of abundance, baffling as they seem, are a challenge. They can be solved; and their solution will be the gateway to a better way of living. But to the problems of steadily declining production there is no answer. That pathway eventually leads to decline and ruin. It not only is impossible to produce abundantly on depleted soils; it is almost impossible to produce efficiently.

Huge Crops Robbed Soil.

"After four years of record-breaking production for war, farmers have special need for checking up on their soil resources and for repairing the effects of depletion."

Such a checking up would in most cases reveal that the soil's fertility level is lower than it was in prewar years. Fertility has been one of the necessary casualties in the battle to meet wartime food production goals. Peak-load croppings have taken a heavy toll of the soil's resources of nitrogen, phosphorus and potash.

Rehabilitation of the soil is thus a necessity, if the fertility level is to be built up and the productive capacity of the land maintained in the competitive postwar period.

All things considered, the cost of plowing, seeding and cultivating a field is the same whether the crop yield be large or small. Therefore, the farmer who is able to get big yields at a relatively low production cost is the one who will make money when competition is keen.

Attention to essentials is, of course, important in any soil improvement plan for postwar years. In addition to good rotation, the growing of deep-rooted legumes, contour plowing where necessary, and the return of manure and crop refuse to the soil, the use of mixed fertilizer is a No. 1 necessity. Quality as well as high yield will be important factors in the postwar farm market. Experience has demonstrated that fertilized crops are of higher quality and yield than unfertilized ones.

Get It Early!

"The War Food administration again calls on farmers to accept delivery of their fertilizers during the winter and early spring, when the manufacturing plants can make delivery most easily, and to store it in their barns and sheds for use when needed," P. H. Groggins, chief of the chemicals and fertilizers branch, advises.

"The individual farmer can assure himself of sufficient fertilizer by placing his orders as far as possible ahead of the season of use. If all farmers will do this, plants can be kept working at the capacity permitted by available labor. Continued maximum production and use of fertilizers is necessary in support of the war food program."

In these days when farm machinery of all kinds is scarce, outfits to spread fertilizer may be hard to obtain. Frequently, however, companies selling crushed stone and other soil treating chemicals have equipment which may be rented at reasonable rates. When a large area is to be covered, it is generally wisest to call on one of these companies to help with the job.

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Children's Hush Newspaper

A copy of Ladybird, Poland's underground newspaper for children, recently brought to London, contains such material as news of boy and girl war heroes, a prayer for freedom and various ways to frustrate the Nazis.

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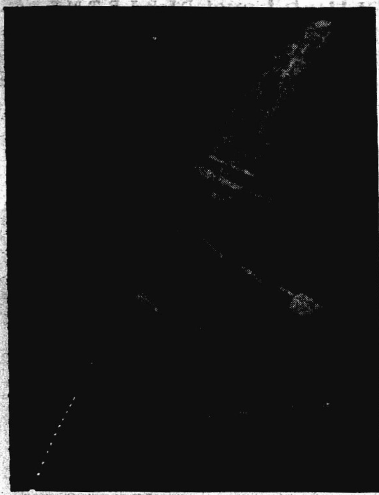
Mysterious 'Black Widow's' Secrets Disclosed



ONE of the war's best kept secrets has lately been revealed, at least in part. This is a detailed description of the P-61, or "Black Widow," the world's largest and most powerful pursuit plane. This strange appearing two-motored fighter was designed early in 1941 to combat the German raiders that were then blasting London by night. The Black Widow, in fact, was the first plane developed exclusively for night fighting. It was named after the extremely poisonous "Black Widow" spider.

Although the blitz on London slackened to nuisance raids before the Black Widow got into action, this mighty air weapon has been found invaluable on many sorts of missions. Black Widows are ripping German supply columns as they try to advance under cover of darkness; others, in distant South Pacific theaters, are shooting down Jap bombers from the night skies. Because of its detection equipment, it can be used for patrol and scouting missions at night.

The Black Widow (it is painted a glossy black so that it will be almost invisible by night) is as large as a medium bomber, and heavier than a pre-war standard transport. Its two 2,000-horsepower Pratt and Whitney engines, turning four-bladed propellors give a speed that can keep pace with any pursuit ship.

Armament consists of .50 caliber machine guns and 20mm. cannon. Its firepower is so great that it can blast any plane to destruction. Nothing but a concrete pillbox can withstand its assault. The ammunition boxes and other vital parts are protected from enemy bullets by armor plate and deflector plates. The crew are likewise safeguarded by armor and bullet-proof glass.

A pilot, a gunner and a radio operator make up the crew. In emergencies the gunner can take over the flying controls. The radio man also fires some of the guns when need arises.

More technical information is given in these excerpts from the "Fact Sheet."

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The P-61 is an all-metal, twin-engine, three-place, midwing, night interceptor monoplane with two tail booms, fully retractable tricycle landing gear and heavy armament. The three man crew is fully enclosed in a crew nacelle located between the two engine nacelles, which are of monocoque construction.

The Wings.

Wings are of stressed skin two-spar cantilever structure composed of two inner panels, two outer panels and two tip panels bolted together by internal fittings accessible through removable doors. The two spars—among the largest extrusions in the world—continue through the crew nacelle.

Tail Group.

The tail group consists of two fins and two rudders, connected by a stabilizer and an elevator. Entire tail group is supported by two monocoque tail booms attached to the engine nacelles.

Landing Gear Group.

The nose gear is of the half-fork type which folds aft and up into the crew nacelle by hydraulic action. Mechanically operated doors seal the opening after retraction.

The main gear consists of two wheel and brake assemblies and two shock strut assemblies which retract aft and up into the engine nacelles. In retracted position, hydraulically operated doors cover wheel wells.

Brakes are dual hydraulic disc type, installed on each main gear wheel.

Power Plant.

The two Pratt and Whitney model R-2800 two stage, two speed supercharged engines are designed to operate on 100 octane fuel. Each engine is equipped with an injection carburetor. These engines develop 2000 horsepower "plus."

Two Curtiss-Wright electric, full feathering four-bladed propellers, 12 feet, 2 inches in diameter, drive the plane. Propeller blade angle is controlled automatically or by manual selection.

The landing flap is an innovation. The Black Widow has the first full span landing flap, combined with entirely new type of aileron—a scoop or spoiler which retracts into the upper aft section of the wing.

EQUIPMENT.

Instrument lighting consists of two fluorescent bulbs which cause instrument faces to glow in the darkness, located each side of cockpit.

The landing lights are electrically retractable, mounted undersurface of each outer wing panel.

The emergency air brake system operates from a storage bottle which shoots air into brake lines, forcing brakes on.

Night binoculars, a secret device, are electric. Mounted on arm, they are swung into place aft of pilot's armor glass.

Oxygen inhalation apparatus is located on right side of crew nacelle in each compartment for every member of crew.

The automatic pilot operates by pressure from the main hydraulic system.

An individual heater is provided for each crew member.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

Your makeup must be your Leading Light these days! Simple basic dresses, but brilliant makeup accessories. Have several sets of lipstick, rouge and powder to harmonize, and several shades of eye-shadow to dramatize your eyes. Wear black, a purple belt and gloves, fuchsia lipstick and rouge, purple eyeshadow. Then change to brilliant red accessories with brown eyeshadow to soften your eyes. It's a game! Learn to Accessorize!

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"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

FOOLIN' WITH FELT

Now's the time to dream up some Christmas quickies—these last-minute gifts that are quick to make and easy on the budget. The things you can make out of an old felt hat or two would positively amaze you. Every one is a tried and tested trick for teens—fun to make and more fun to receive.

Up to Your Ears — Tricky earmuffs make darling gifts for your favorite girl friends. Make them out of large soft powder puffs, which you cover with discs of felt and attach to a braided yarn band that is worn over the hair and tied under the chin. Embroider the felt coverings on the puffs or trim 'em up with contrasting appliques.

For Gals Who Wear Glasses — How about an eyeglass case made of felt? If she wears Harlequin specs, cut the case in corresponding pixie shape. Sequin eyes with looped thread lashes make a cute trim, especially if they're winking.

Hands Up—It's easy to make a pair of gay mittens out of felt. Cut around the shape of your hand for a pattern. Whip together with contrasting wool and trim to suit your fancy—in fact, the fancier the better.

Scrap-Happy Books — Use your own school books for patterns and make a set of covers out of bits of felt, sewn together in patchwork effect with contrasting yarn. An unusual and useful gift for any girl in your class. Well, Miss Nimble Thimble, thread up your needle and get busy! Time's a-wastin'.

PIN-UP PILLOWS

First you wore your goofy gadgets on your lapels; then on your sweater bottoms and now you're wearing them on little pin cushions made for this very purpose. It's so hard to keep up with your fads that we constantly ask ourselves in amazement, "How do we do it?" Maybe some whiz kid can give us the answer.

It's the Nuts—Take a half walnut shell; shine it up by coating of colorless or red nail polish—then stuff it with cotton and paste a scrap of colorful fabric across the top. Stick your gadget pins into this nutty cushion and pin the cushion, itself, to your lapel or sweater.

Wrist Twist—Make a little heart out of felt; stuff it well and sew a narrow velvet ribbon or a strip of felt to either side. Tie securely around your wrist and wear your favorite gadget pins in the little heart-shaped cushion.

Nimble Thimbles—Buy some plastic thimbles in assorted colors; bore a little hole in the side of each, and string on yarn in tassel cluster effect. Turn each thimble into a miniature pin cushion with stuffing and a piece of fabric over the top or with a cork, tightly wedged inside. Stick your favorite pins in each thimble and wear on your lapel or beanie.

The Rambling Rhymster

By LES PLETTNER

TELEPHONE ACCENTS

"When I sit down to telephone,"
Thus started in old Andrew Sloan,
"I hear a female voice intone,
'What is your number, plee-ez!'
I then state in an accent clear,
'Give me three-oh-nine-Belvidere.
I want it ere I'm old and sere,
Like leaves that fall from tree-ez.'

'Did you say, three-oh-ni-en sir,'
Comes o'er the line her creamy purr,
In voice to calm my ruffled fur,
'Or was it three-oh-fi-ev?'
I yell in tone like stentor old,
While I my heated temper hold,
'My little one, with voice of gold—
You think I'm dumb or nai-ev?'
Oh, how it does me irritate,
When I give out my number straight
A simple three, or nine, or eight—
In this I am not lyin';
To hear the operator say,
In, to me, an affected way,
At end of hard and heavy day,
'Did you say, 'three-oh-ni-en?' "

Weakening and Ruin Of Subject Peoples Is Nazi Objective

Professor States Germany Intends to Remain on Top.

Germany, whether it won or lost the war, aimed to dominate Europe through the practice of "genocide," declares Prof. Raphael Lemkin of Duke U., noted Polish scholar and attorney, in a volume entitled "Axis Rule in Occupied Europe," published by the Columbia U. Press.

"Genocide," the practice of extermination of nations and ethnic groups as carried out by the invaders, is effected through a synchronized attack on different aspects of life of the captive peoples, political, social, spiritual, cultural, economic and biological, it is explained.

Professor Lemkin, in a work of more than 600 pages, assembles the texts of laws and decrees of the Axis powers, and of their puppet regimes, issued for the government of the areas occupied by their military forces in Europe. He analyzes the purposes and application of the measures as parts of the general scheme of conquest.

"The Nazis have formulated as law, dictates which are in fact very grave outrages against humanity and international law, against human rights, morality, and religion. One finds in them, for example, evidence in the form of provisions for confiscations of private property based upon a presumption of future guilt, and for the prohibition of the use of their own languge by the population of an occupied country, and such evidence of moral debasement as clauses providing for subsidies to women of subjugated peoples for having illegitimate children by members of the Wehrmacht.

"These laws of occupation were promulgated not only by the Axis partners themselves but also by puppet regimes and puppet states, which were established in Norway, Serbia, Croatia, Slovakia, the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia, and to a certain extent in Vichy France, as well as by the secretaries general of the ministries in Belgium and the Netherlands."

The picture of coordinated German techniques of occupation must lead to the conclusion that the German occupant has embarked upon a gigantic scheme to change, in favor of Germany, the balance of biological forces between it and the captive nations for many years to come, the author asserts.

"The objective of this scheme is to destroy or to cripple the subjugated peoples in their development so that, even in the case of Germany's military defeat, it will be in a position to deal with other European nations from the vantage point of numerical, physical, and economic superiority.

"Despite the bombings of Germany, this German superiority will be fully evident after hostilities have ceased and for many years to follow, when, due to the present disastrous state of nourishment and health in the occupied countries, we shall see in such countries a stunted postwar generation, survivors of the ill-fed children of these war years."

What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT

Some decorator's color tricks that will help to increase or decrease the apparent size of your rooms are a convenient thing to know. Here are a few suggestions.

To make a high ceiling seem lower—use a dark color for the ceiling.

If you have a long, narrow room—the two end walls in a darker shade than the side walls will make your room appear more nearly square.

For drama and excitement use bold, striking effects. Use bold stripes or strong contrast in decided colors.

For a restful spot—use grayed subdued colors with no strong contrasts.

To make your room seem large paint the walls and woodwork the same color—and use light, rather subdued tones.

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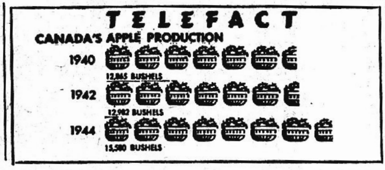
Chinese Graduated From American Bomb School

PUEBLO, COLO. — The first all-Chinese aerial bombardment crews to be graduated in this country are now ready to fly American bombers in action against the Japanese.

Ten of these crews, trained at the Pueblo army air base, received their diplomas in ceremonies recently. This is the only base in the United States where the Chinese are trained as heavy bombardment teams.



Older Men and Boys In Reich Guard, Word

MOSCOW, USSR. — The bulk of Himmler's home guard is in the age group from 55 to 60, with boys of 16 comprising only about 120,000 of the force, Red Star said recently. Konstantin Hoffman, the writer, apparently got his information from the testimony of home guard troops captured by the Russians.

THE FACTS ON THE COFFEE SITUATION

A Statement by the Producing Countries

MR. GEORGE C. THIERBACH, *President*
National Coffee Association
120 Wall St., New York

Dear Mr. Thierbach:

In view of the various reports that have appeared for some time in the press of this country relative to both the supply and prices of coffee, and in view of recent statements from responsible sources to the effect that the responsibility for the solution of these problems rests with the producing countries, the Pan-American Coffee Bureau has decided to submit to you a clarification of the factors involved in the great crisis which now faces the coffee industry of Latin America.

The Pan-American Coffee Bureau has, without exception, always scrupulously abstained from expressing any opinion or taking any position with respect to any of the war-time regulations or restrictions imposed in the United States.

As a foreign agency the Bureau has rigorously refrained from direct or indirect interference in any manner, in subjects concerning the internal economy and policies of this country.

This policy has been strictly adhered to, as can be testified to by the National Coffee Association and during recent years, so fraught with difficulties and problems for the coffee industry, the Bureau has concentrated on cooperating with the National Coffee Association, the various government agencies of the United States and the producing countries for removal of difficulties, an early solution of existing problems, and faithful adherence to all war-time regulations.

We have considered these policies as the least we could do in order to reciprocate the favorable and cooperative attitude shown by the government, the trade and the public of this country towards the Bureau and the entities which the Bureau represents.

However, it does not seem to me to be necessary to deviate from our policy in order to submit a concise statement of facts as they affect the Coffee producing industry of the Western Hemisphere.

Coffee Prices Reached All-Time Low in 1940

Following the outbreak of the European War, with its consequent closing of markets for about 10 million bags of coffee produced in Latin-America, the price of coffee already greatly depressed because of a long period of over-production, because of abandonment by Brazil of the price support policy which it followed until 1937, and because of restrictive tariffs in various consuming countries—(colonial protection in Continental Europe and Imperial preference in Canada and Great Britain) reached the lowest levels in history.

These disastrous levels, starvation prices if permitted to continue for any length of time would have resulted in ruin for the coffee industry of Latin-America, and in economic chaos for the 14 coffee producing countries of this Hemisphere.

Such a catastrophe would have resulted in deplorable social and political repercussions, would have opened the doors of the Americas to dangerous extremist ideologies which were making bold experiments in Europe and what is most important, would have cut off vitally important markets in Latin-America for United States industries.

Ceiling Price Set Below 30-Year Average

The completion of the Inter-American Coffee Agreement, in which the United States participated, averted this calamity. The coffee market slowly recovered and prices reacted in a healthy manner until they reached, late in 1941, a level which was then acceptable or even satisfactory *when compared to the* disastrous depths to which they had fallen in 1940.

It should be noted at this point that the sole basis for the acceptability of these prices was the fact that they represented a partial recovery from the all time lows afore-mentioned, which obviously cannot be taken as a fair basis of comparison.

When war-time conditions made necessary price control in this country, green coffee prices were frozen at the levels prevailing in 1941, levels which as we have seen were at that time acceptable to the producers. However, it is clear that these so-called "recovery" prices of 1941 were far from remunerative, when it is considered that they were still about 5% below the average of the past 30 years.

Coffee prices still continue frozen on that basis today, at the end of 1944.

Production Costs Substantially Higher

With this background, the present situation may be summarized as follows:

a) The agricultural and industrial wages, local transportation, the cost of machinery and other articles which coffee producers import, etc., all rose substantially between 1941 and 1944 (in some cases up to more than 100%) which increases have been fully reflected in highly increased cost of coffee production.
But the prices of coffee continue frozen on a 1941 basis and therefore, coffee producers at present have to produce coffee and to live in 1944 at 1944 costs while their income is frozen at 1941 levels.

Abandoned Coffee Trees Portend Disaster

b) This state of affairs is already resulting in the abandonment of millions and millions of coffee trees throughout Latin-America and in the failure adequately to care for and maintain plantations still in production. If this situation is prolonged there will be an inevitable collapse of the coffee industry of Latin-America.
As the war stimulated the demand for meat, cotton, and grain, many producers have found a temporary and precarious compensation in raising cattle and growing other products. With the advent of peace and the restoration of local production in the countries devastated by the war, this temporary demand will cease and with it will cease the temporary income offered former coffee producers whose situation will then be desperate.

Present Prosperity in Coffee Countries—an Illusion

c) The apparent prosperity in the coffee producing countries, an appearance resulting from existing favorable international trade balances, is illusory and frankly misleading. Such balances result solely from the **impossibility of buying**, in which these countries find themselves, from the impossibility of obtaining the instruments of production necessary for their activities and of obtaining many other essential articles of life. The restrictions imposed by the war have not permitted them to import except in very limited quantities, agricultural and industrial machinery, railroad cars, mills, rails, trucks, automobiles, electrical equipment, and often did not permit them to import even spare parts either new or used.
Now, the very modest industrial plants of these countries, their railroads, systems of urban transportation, highway rolling equipment, agricultural, industrial and transportation equipment, water transport facilities, coastal or interior, already deficient before the war are today on the verge of collapse, and the open process of disintegration through lack of replacements or even remotely adequate maintenance and repairs.
This is the sole reason for the existing balances, which will evaporate on the day the war-time restrictions which impede the purchases of material are removed. Such balances are actually not sufficient to renovate our agricultural and industrial equipment or to repair the depreciation caused by three years of excessive use, without even a minimum of adequate maintenance, and repairs.

Increase Needed—Only ⅛ of a Cent a Cup

d) An increase in coffee prices sufficient to maintain economically in production the billions of coffee trees in Latin-America, sufficient to prevent economic ruin in the various countries, sufficient to avoid the loss of valuable markets for industries of the United States, would not constitute a sacrifice for the public because it would represent, at the most, about ⅛ of a cent in the cost of a cup of coffee. This means that a consumer who drinks four regular cups a day would have his budget for coffee increased by about ½ cent a day.

A Lowering Production May Affect U. S. Coffee Supply

e) If some readjustment is not made an unfortunate situation might arise, which would prevent or disturb the free flow of coffee to the American market, just at a time when the shipping situation is such as to permit an ample supply of the product for United States needs.
Coffee producers cannot be forced to sell their coffee at a loss, i.e., below the cost of production when the abandonment of plantations and the neglect of adequate cultivation of those which are still in production has already reduced the yield of coffee in some countries, and will reduce it even more in the coming crops due to the fact that neglect of the plantations for one year results in a reduced production which takes at least 3 years to return to original yield.
In the case of Brazil, unfavorable weather conditions and inadequate returns have reduced by more than 50% the last two crops.

Coffee Growers Unable to Take Further Losses

f) With reduced production, on one hand, and with the impossibility of continuing to produce without suffering economic losses under present conditions, on the other hand, it is only logical that the producers, so badly squeezed for some time past, will not be able to sell in 1945 at 1941 prices.

Would Rationing Be a Solution?

It is our considered opinion that rationing would not be a solution because it would not permit the restoration of plantations already abandoned or being abandoned, thus adversely affecting the producers, the trade and the consumer.

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This is the present situation of coffee as viewed and interpreted by the Pan-American Coffee Bureau. The gravity of the menace which weighs over the Latin-American producers who derive their livelihood from coffee, over the roasters, importers, brokers and distributors in the United States who deal in coffee and over the public which has made coffee its favorite beverage, can hardly be exaggerated.

In conclusion, may I express to you personally and on behalf of the countries represented by the Bureau our great appreciation for the cooperation offered at all times to the Bureau by your Association.

Cordially yours,

EURICO PENTEADO
Chairman of the Board of Directors
of the Pan-American Coffee Bureau

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LISTINGS SOLICITED

Representative of S. S. Board to Be Here Dec. 20

A representative of the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance, Social Security Board, West Palm Beach, Florida will be in the City Commissioners Room, City Office Building, Avon Park, Fla. on Wednesday, December 20, 1944 at 11 a. m.

Mr. Verri, Manager, states that the representative will be glad to assist wage earners in obtaining original or duplicate social security account number cards, in filing claims for old-age and survivors insurance benefits, and in explaining any questions relative to old age and survivors insurance.

THE WEATHER

Weather report for Avon Park as furnished by W. W. Giddens, cooperative weather observer, covering the period from December 1 to 15, follows:

Date	Max.	Min
Dec. 1	68	41
Dec. 2	65	43
Dec. 3	67	43
Dec. 4	66	43
Dec. 5	71	46
Dec. 6	75	53
Dec. 7	78	52
Dec. 8	70	57
Dec. 9	67	40
Dec. 10	72	50
Dec. 11	75	52
Dec. 12	59	33
Dec. 13	62	36
Dec. 14	61	43
Dec. 15	62	33

Note — The government thermometer used by Mr. Giddens is enclosed and is not affected by the cold wind as are thermometers which hang out in the open air. Tampa also reported a low of 33.

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

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In re: Estate of
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TO ALL CREDITOR'S AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of John Sears Francis, deceased, late of said County, to the County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, at his office in the court house of said County at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from the time of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand shall be in writing, and shall state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, and shall be sworn to by the claimant, agent, or attorney, and any such claim or demand not so filed shall be void.

HORTENCE REESE AUSLEY,
E. G. TODD,
OTIS C. WILKES
As executors of the Last Will and Testament of John Sears Francis, deceased.

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FOR SALE — .32 Winchester revolver $22.50; .38 cal. S & W on 32 frame with one box cartridges, $22.50; .38 Colt Police Special with holster and cartridges, almost new, $60.00; Fly rod and reel, casting rod and new reel, lots of plugs and metal tackle box, all for $35.00; 1938 Hudson Sedan, $200.00. See F. E. John at B & B.

FOR SALE — DeLuxe 26 in. boy's pre-war bicycle; pre war tires, excellent condition; been stored past two years. $50.00.

Two pointer bird puppies, five months old, male $35.00; female, $25.00.

Practically new clothes for teen age boys and girls. Mrs. Dorothy Wynn Locke, 927 Lotela Road. Will be home all day Monday, December 18.

FOR SALE — Choice of two Chevrolet coaches. 917 West Walnut St., near Seventh Day Adventist church.

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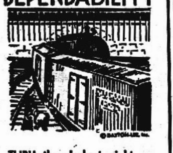

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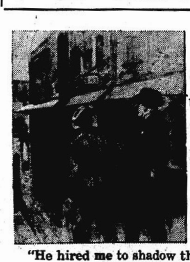

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Clement McFarland Has Birthday Party Saturday

Clement McFarland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. McFarland observed his seventh birthday with a delightful party at his home on Saturday afternoon. Throughout the afternoon, a variety of games were enjoyed and pictures taken of the happy group. Barbara Jean Harrison directed the games.

Later, delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served, a color note of green and yellow being used in all the appointments, including the napkins. The birthday cake was frosted in green and topped with seven small yellow candles. Favors were colored pencils in gay individual wrappings. Mrs. McFarland was assisted in serving by Mrs. Georgia Dinnison, Clement's teacher, Mrs. Zed Scarborough and Mrs. J. C. DeShong.

Clements received many nice gifts from his friends sharing the party with him who were Peggy Martin, Karolyn Patterson, Eilene Sachsenmaier, Betsy Robertson, Bill Elwell, Freddie Guerndt, Dickie Reddick; Lawler Wells, Lelia Johnson, Kitten Farr, Joe Jeith Skipper, Harold Walker, Elaine Hunt, Sharon Saucier, Sandy DeShong, John Scarborough, Ken Walker, Sandra Shaw, and Mary Ann Nader.

Baptist Group Has Hay Ride and Weiner Roast

The Senior BTU of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a delightful affair on Friday night. They met at the church at eight o'clock and went on an old fashioned hay ride. Later, they assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul McFarland for a weiner roast. Weiners were roasted outdoors and served with rolls, slaw, cake and coffee.

These sharing the fun of the evening were Capt. and Mrs. H. T. Wingate, Mrs. Bernice Stillwell, Mrs. Gladys Hunt, Mrs. Ruby Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Harrison, Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Puryear, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells, Mrs. Baton, Sgt. and Mrs. Larsons, Mrs. Dorothy Sapp, Mrs. Paul Moos, Mrs. Clarice Hubbard, and Misses Barbara Harrison and Alice Puryear.

Mrs. Adams Hostess to Baptist WMS Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. R. L. Adams was hostess to circle two of the Baptist WMS at her home on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr. taught the lesson study.

The living room was decorated in the Christmas theme, the lighted tree being a special feature. The hostess served dainty refreshments of pumpkin pie with whipped cream, and coffee after the meeting.

Misses Winifred Hood, Betty Touchton, Susan Dorminey and Peggy Jo Smith, are arriving in Avon Park this week end from Tallahassee, where they are attending FSCW, and will spend the Christmas and New Years holidays at their homes here.

Personals

Mrs. David Stuckey spent last week in Orlando visiting relatives.

Mrs. May Walden will spend the holidays with Mrs. C. S. James at her home in Keystone Heights.

Miss Margaret Dilley arrived home this week from Tallahassee, where she has been attending FS CW for the first semester.

Sonja McLeod is confined to her home with whooping cough, her many young friends will regret to learn.

Mrs. Edith Hughes and Mrs. D. J. Hoskin of Traverse City, Mich., have spent the past three weeks here with the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Shearer.

Walter G. Martin will arrive next week from Atlanta, where he is a student at Emory University to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Martin.

Miss Tommy Lou Greene, who has been employed by the govrnment in Washington, D. C., is home for the holidays and has as her guest, Miss Jerry Murphy, also of Washington.

Miss Peggy Mandis arrived home Thursday night from Rollins college, Winter Park to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Demos Mandis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland of Bradenton spent last Sunday here with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. McFarland and family.

Jimmie Hetherington will arrive home next Wednesday from the Coast Guard Prep School at Washington, D. C., to spend the holidays at his home.

Mrs. Laura P. Ward and daughter, Miss Susan Ward arrived Friday from Titusville to spend the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pardee.

Miss Mary Pardee, student at Emory University, Atlanta, will arrive home next Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pardee.

Cadet Burl Cox, student at Florida Military Academy, St. Petersburg arrived home Friday night to be with his family for the holidays.

Misses Ruth Pendleton and Winifred Demorest, students at Stetson University, DeLand, are home for the Christmas and New Years holidays.

Cadets Bill Beckett, Pete Ragsdale and John Childers arrived home Friday afternoon from the Florida Military Academy at St. Petersburg to spend the holidays at their homes. Mrs. Childers and Mrs. Ragsdale spent Friday in St. Petersburg and the boys accompanied them home.

Miss Dorothy Lawhon will arrive home next Wednesday from Mars Hill, N. C., where she is a student at Mars Hill college, and will spend the holidays at her home.

Mrs. R. A. Gerrard, who has been visiting her husband in New Jersey and is now a guest of Mrs. D. T. Bennink in Asheville, N. Y., will return home after the holidays. She will be accompanied home by Mrs. Bennink and two sons, Donnie and Johnnie, who will spend the remainder of the winter here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rogers of Bradenton spent last Sunday here with Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Puryear and family. The Rogers are formerly of Round Hill, Va., where Mrs. Rogers has been superintendent of the WMU work of the Potomac Association of Baptist Churches.

Lt. Bill Cox of Savannah, Ga., formerly stationed at the Avon Park Army Air Field, is a guest this week at the J. L. Wells home. Lt. Cox first pilot on a B-17, has just recently returned home from overseas, after completing 50 missions. He was made a first lieutenant and also first pilot of his plane before his twentieth birthday, which was October 15.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Longbottom and son, Sammy left Saturday for Warm Springs, Ga., and are returning home this week end, accompanied by little Miss Lynn Longbottom, who has been a patient at the Warm Springs Foundation for the past several months. The scores of friends of this popular little girl are delighted that her condition has improved to the extent that she is able to return home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Armstrong spent last week end in Melboune with their daughter, Mrs. K. D. James and her son, Ensign R. D. James. Mrs. James accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong back to Avon Park and will be their house guest until next Tuesday, when she will return to her home in Toledo, Ohio.

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HENRY WILLIAM WILD,
PLAINTIFF,
VS.
LULA MAE WILD,
DEFENDANT.

ORDER TO APPEAR

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO LULA MAE WILD, DEFENDANT:

It is hereby ordered that you are required to appear on the first day of January, 1945, before the above entitled Court, in person or by attorney, to the bill of complaint filed against you, in which the plaintiff seeks a divorce from you, in the above entitled cause, and The Scenic Highlands Sun is hereby designated as the newspaper in which this order shall be published once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks.

Witness the Hon. D. O. Rogers as Judge of this Court and the seal of this Court in the city of Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, this 17th day of November, 1944.

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

MATTIE W. TOMPKENS,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Avon Park, Florida.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

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Proof of time of birth must be a letter from doctor that delivered the baby, stating time of birth, sex, name of baby and name and address of parents.

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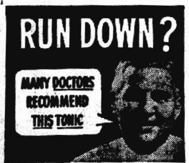
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GIRL OVERBOARD

by GEORGE F. WORTS

WNU RELEASE

THE STORY THUS FAR: Zorie Carey, who hates herself for being so meek, is railroaded into taking a job she does not want, helping Admiral Duncan write his memoirs. She is in love with Paul Duncan, the admiral's grandson. While aboard the steamship Samoa en route to Hawaii a hand is clamped over her mouth and she is scooped up and tossed into the sea. She manages to catch hold of a life ring some sailor tossed overboard. On recovering from shock Zorie learns that Steve, Paul's handsome brother, with whom she is infatuated, was taken violently ill at the time she was thrown off the boat. The admiral makes the announcement that Pearl Harbor is bombed.

CHAPTER XII

It was the first time that she had exchanged more than a few words with any of them since the night one of them had thrown her off the "Samoa's" stern.

She became aware that all of them were under a strain. Mr. Lanning drank his cocktails as fast as Steve would make them for him. By the time dinner was announced, he must have had seven or eight. Amber was nervous. Once, when she lit a cigarette, Zorie saw her hands shaking.

Something, Zorie guessed, was in the wind, and only Paul was unaware of it. He was aware only of her. Whenever she glanced at him, he was looking at her with that puzzled expression in his eyes. He did not drink at all. When she had her second cocktail, she glanced at him. The old familiar expression of stern disapproval was about his mouth.

Why, Zorie wondered, did he disapprove of everything that was really fun? She suddenly felt hopeless about Paul. She wondered if they could ever work things out. She saw Paul suddenly as one of the unfortunates he was always talking about—the maladjusted people, the problem children grown up.

Eight of the admiral's guests were attractive couples from various parts of the island. The ninth to arrive was a big man with iron-gray hair and a square ruddy face.

His name, Basil Stromberg, meant nothing to Zorie at first. Then she recalled the fragment of conversation she had overheard between Steve and the admiral in the garden that morning, with Steve saying, "I don't care a damn who comes—as long as you get Basil Stromberg."

Zorie sat down beside Paul and asked him who Stromberg was. "He's the manager of one of the biggest plantations on the island. I suppose he's just another Nazi, although I never suspected it before."

"Why?"

Paul shrugged. "Well, Steve seems to prefer Nazis. It looks to me as if he's turning Uluwehi into a Nazi hotbed."

"Are these other people Nazis?"

"I don't know. I'm a stranger here myself. Basil is an American citizen. He was born on Kauai—of German parents. He was educated in Germany and he spends long vacations there. I believe he's been there quite recently. Shall I ask him?"

"Paul—please!"

"But you asked a question and, with me, the inquiry of a beautiful lady is a ringing command."

Zorie realized that Paul was furious about something, and suppressing it only with an effort. She had looked forward to this dinner party, to pretending she was the princess of Uluwehi; but now that it was here, she was miserable. Paul's disapproval and the tension she sensed in Steve were spoiling everything.

It was a pity, because it might have been a delightful dinner party. Dinner was served by four pretty Japanese girls who wore beautiful kimonos and obis and resembled Japanese dolls. She watched them curiously and observed how masklike their young Oriental faces were. Paul had said if she knew what these young Japanese were thinking these days, she would run for her life. It was hard to believe.

There were flowers in the center of the long koa table that made it difficult for her to see Paul. She could see all of Steve's face. He was being amusing and charming, but he wasn't fooling Zorie. Something was happening under the surface and he was taking the most elaborate pains to prove that nothing was happening.

When dinner was over, they returned to the lanai under the big banyan tree for coffee and brandy. Zorie sat down beside the admiral. When they had finished coffee, Paul said: "Shall we take a little stroll? We won't be missed."

He was furious about something. His eyes had that familiar narrowness and his mouth its well-known thinness. He disapproved of the star-sapphire dress. Doubtless, he disapproved of other things, too. She wondered, in a little flurry of panic, just what she'd done to make him so angry.

She hoped he wouldn't be too harsh with her.

They had taken hardly a dozen steps when he pulled his arm away. He was taking her toward the ironwood arbor on the beach.

"What—what is it, Paul?" Zorie asked.

"I want to have a talk with you," Paul answered. "But not just yet. I want to think a little."

When they reached the arbor, Zorie's eyes were growing used to the starlight. She found a bench and sat down. It was the same bench on which she had sat that morning to wrestle with her problem.

Paul did not sit down. He stood near her, with his hands in his coat pockets. From that characteristic posture, with one shoulder down a little, she knew what to expect, and she wondered if he took that stance when he was addressing his classes.

"Zorie," he said, "this evening has shown me exactly what I'll be up against when we're married. I've been watching you and studying you all through dinner—analyzing you as I've never bothered to analyze you before. I've had the pleasure of watching you—the girl I'm going to marry day after tomorrow—staring continuously at another man, with such adoration, such worship that it nauseated me to watch it."

Her sense of fear suddenly departed. With it went all of her old feeling of meekness.

Zorie got up. "Paul," she said softly, "I think you'd better stop. I think you don't quite realize what you're saying. I think you had better be awfully careful, Paul."

"I know what I'm saying," Paul said harshly. "I'm saying that you're nothing but a natural-born cheat! It was written all over your face! You were ga-ga! You sat there, just drooling over that brother of mine!"

Zorie saw dim figures in the starlit darkness beyond the hedge.

"Paul—"

"Let me finish," he snapped.

"Paul, I'm warning you. I won't let you or any other man say such things about me."

"You'll let me say what I have to say," Paul replied.

Zorie sat down again. He continued in the same strain. Her shameless adoration of Steve.

"Look at those flowers in your hair! Ever since he put some white ginger flowers in your hair, you've been wearing them like a holy symbol! Steve the great, Steve the wonderful puts ginger flowers in your hair and you melt. You go blah!"

It was, she supposed, inevitable. Out of him was gushing the bitterness that he had kept dammed up since that morning of their discussion on deck. She realized the truth —Paul could not take it. He had cracked under the strain he had imposed on himself. His solicitude had been a pretense, his ardor a sham.

He did not, she realized, love her. Not at this moment. In the morning he might, but not now. He hated her for revolting against his Victorianism. He hated her because she had refused to be disciplined and dominated. It was really as simple as that.

"I can't go through with it," Paul said. "I want to be released from our engagement."

Any other time, Paul's outburst might have been justified—a little justified, although nothing she had ever done, except in her innermost thoughts, could have justified this.

"I understand," she said gently. In spite of the ugly things he had said, she was sorry for Paul. Tomorrow, if she knew Paul, he would humble himself, would plead for her forgiveness. Yet, even tomorrow, he might realize that things, after this, could never be patched up. She hoped he would. She hoped this was the end.

"You're free," Paul said waspishly. "You're free to do whatever you wish, to marry anybody you please."

To marry anybody she pleased! That, in his mind, meant Steve. As if she had merely to mention to Steve that she was now free to be his—and he would clasp her in his arms, to have and to hold, forever!

Perhaps, in one sense, Paul was right. Certainly, a large part of Steve's attraction was physical. She could not recall ever being attracted so strongly to Paul.

Anyway, she would not have to marry Paul. She had escaped!

Zorie was aware of a sense of soaring relief.

"I understand, Paul," she said quietly. "Everything's finished. Perhaps it's best. I think we'd better go back now."

"Ah, yes—back to your lovely Nazis!"

Halfway to the blacked-out lanai, Zorie heard men's voices. They came from the other side of a high box hedge that she and Paul were about to pass.

Paul seized her wrist. He whispered: "Keep quiet!"

He pulled her close to the hedge. Zorie saw several dim figures in the starlit darkness beyond the hedge. Then she heard Steve's voice.

"This war is apt to ruin everything," he said. His voice sounded thin. It sounded nervous. "There's very apt to be trouble. I've spent most of the day at Kokee, looking the ground over. The only favorable factor is that they're working with only a skeleton crew. They'll be reinforced in a day or two. If we're to get in there, it will certainly have to be tonight."

Steve's voice hesitated. Zorie tried to see his face, but she could not.

"Briefly, the setup is easier than I expected," he went on. "JY-419 is there. It's being used every day, but not at night. They're using the old hookup for night-time listening." Steve paused again. "I've learned one thing of vital importance. It will detect a plane more than fifteen hundred miles away. That's five hundred miles better than I was told in Madrid."

"Why," another voice interrupted, "didn't it detect the bombers that came over Pearl Harbor last Sunday?" The voice was so strained that Zorie identified it, with difficulty, as Winthrop Lanning's.

"How can you expect me to have the answer to that question?" Steve answered. "The old hookup would have detected them. The carrier could not have been more than two hundred miles offshore. Why didn't the Oahu listening stations report them in time?"

"What is this trouble you mentioned?"

"It has nothing to do with getting JY-419 out of the listening post," Steve answered. "JY-419 is in one compact sheet-steel cabinet that weighs, at a guess, between eighty and one hundred pounds. It is being kept in a small building some distance from the regular equipment. There's only a small plain padlock on the door."

The pressure of Paul's grasp increased on Zorie's wrist. He had no doubt felt the tremor that had gone through her. She was beginning to realize fully what this meant.

So this was Steve's "very dangerous game"—plotting with these sly, sinister people to rob his own country of a secret and valuable plane-detecting device!

All the ugly things Paul had told her about Steve, together with all the ugly things of which she herself suspected him, were in his voice now.

"We can break that padlock and carry the cabinet out."

"Wait a minute," another voice interrupted, and Zorie recognized it, with its softness, as Pierre's. "How do we get it out of that listening post? Won't those sentries be shooting at shadows?"

"Probably," Steve answered. "It will be dangerous and difficult, but it isn't impossible. The shed in which JY-419 is locked up is within fifty feet of the edge of the Kalalau Lookout. I mean—the edge of the canyon. The sentry at that post won't expect anyone to come up over that edge."

"But is it humanly possible?" Pierre broke in.

"Yes. There's an old goat trail, now overgrown with vegetation, that I used as a boy. Don't forget I know every inch of that country. We can slip in and out past the sentry."

"How?" Pierre asked dubiously.

"It has been raining in the mountains for two days and nights. It was raining steadily up there all day. Don't forget that this is our rainy season. We can safely count on rain tonight."

"But if it isn't raining?" Mr. Lanning asked.

"Then we will overpower the sentry."

"That is very, very risky!"

"The whole job is risky," Steve said impatiently. "It always has been. The fact that the war is on doubles the risk. But that is not my worry, Winthrop. With these blue headlights and with occasional halts by the Provisional Police, it will take an hour to drive as far as we can safely go. It will take us fully three hours to follow that old trail to the listening post, to get in, secure JY-419 and to get back to the car. That will bring the time to three o'clock, if we leave here at eleven. They will discover that JY-419 is gone by six at the latest. The navy will tear this island apart looking for it. Don't forget that this island is under martial law and that JY-419 is as vital a war secret as the famous bombsight."

"I won't," Mr. Lanning said dryly.

"I'm certain that we can get in there and get out with it," Steve continued. "But what will we do with it? It is very much like a play in a football game. We will have the ball, but we won't dare keep it. We must pass it as quickly as we can into safer, stronger hands."

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Washington Digest

Congressional Machinery Is Slated for Overhauling

Bulk of Complaints Against the Legislative Branch Are Inconsistent, but Committee Setup Needs Revision.

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

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

It is an old American custom to take a pot-shot at congress whenever something goes wrong and nobody else is handy to blame, no matter whether the trouble is dust-storms, sun-spots, jaundice or just plain grouch.

You may recall that this feeling reached an unhappy high in the famous "bundles - for - congressmen" campaign of 1942. Some practical jokers in Seattle seized on the civil service retirement bill which made all government employees, including members of congress, eligible for pensions, as an excuse to start the horseplay. By the time the silly season arrived, everyone with an overdose of prickly heat was taking it out in one way or another on the poor legislators.

That was very funny to everybody except the recipients of the bundles — and a few thoughtful people who know that the greatest danger to a democratic government is lack of confidence in the parliamentary body. They knew, too, that most of the sins of congress are due to the fact that some of the congressional methods established by the founding fathers have grown out of date.

As one congressman put it to me the other day: "We can't be expected to handle billion-dollar budgets with a penny-ante setup."

In July, 1943, Senator Lafollette (Progressive) of Wisconsin introduced a plan for the reorganization of the committee structure of the senate. This year the senate approved the appointment of a joint committee on organization of both houses. The Smith committee in the house, Senator Maloney and Representative Monroney and others carried on, until today the chances seem bright for consideration by the 79th congress of a plan to streamline the machinery of the government's legislative branch.

In addition, a committee of lawyers has just completed a four-year study on the reorganization of congress, the results of which have found favor in congressional circles.

I think it apropos at this point to offer two quotations, one from the works of the historian Charles Beard, mentioned by Senator LaFollette in an article he wrote on the subject, and another from the article itself.

This is what historian Beard said:

"As a more than casual student of the Congressional Record, I venture this opinion: It is possible to pick out of the Record for the past 10 years addresses (not orations) which for the breadth of knowledge, technical skill, analytical acumen, close reasoning and dignified presentation, compare favorably with similar utterances made in the preceding century by the so-called great orators."

LaFollette, subscribing to this opinion, adds frankly, "There is, to be sure, more trash — bad poetry, demagogic claptrap, and clotted nonsense—in the Record of the past 10 years than there was on the annals of congress from 1789 to 1799." (Aye, aye!)

The senator reminds us, however, of the extremely complex quality of the problems which congress has to face today and the distractions to which the members are subjected, and then, comparing the congress about which he is writing (the 76th) with the first congresses, he says he is convinced "that for disinterestedness, absence of corruption, and concern with the public good, the present body is of a higher order."

And that is a sentiment which, in the humble opinion of this writer, is substantiated by the majority of objective students of the two bodies.

All Democratic Institutions Suffer During Wartime

The present legislators, if they wished to be as tritely exasperating as many civilian slackers in this our time of national stress, could answer some of their critics with a shrug and a reminder that "there is a war on." When a war is on the toughest fibered of democratic institutions suffer.

The inconsistency of the bulk of the complaints against the legislative branch of the government in the last two years can be seen when it is realized that the two most popular charges offered were either that congress was a "rubber stamp" or that it was "obstructionist," which adds up to a contradiction.

Because of the fact that the growth of the country has demanded an increase in the body of administrative and executive law, congress is forced to delegate more power and more functions to the administrative branch. To overcome this trend in so far as possible will be one of the efforts of the reorganization, of which I will speak in a moment. Meanwhile, it is interesting to note that Senator LaFollette himself called attention to the accomplishment of the Truman investigating committee in exposing executive errors already committed and in preventing others by the mere threat of "ever present exposure and censure."

The one field in which congress can greatly increase its efficiency and in so doing, not only checking willful aggression of the administrative and executive branches but rendering a real assistance to them and to the whole nation, is in a reorganization of the committees and their methods.

Congress at present is not equipped to offer sufficient constructive help in the writing of legislation and therefore, frequently, the last word goes, by default, to the interested government agency, or that particular pressure group armed with the technical information necessary to bolster its case.

Representative Smith of Virginia, in the report of his committee to investigate executive agencies, brings out this point, as others have. The report says:

"Today a large percentage of the most important legislation is . . . painstakingly drafted by the very executive officials who are intended to be the recipients of the powers which the legislation delegates. Furthermore, the same officials are generally the only expert and fully informed witnesses to testify before the legislative committees of the congress having jurisdiction over the proposed bills. If there are opposing witnesses they do not, as a rule, represent congress or the people generally but rather some special group."

Expert Knowledge Needed on Many Bills

That does not mean that there are not men in congress who know as much and more than many of the persons appearing before them in favor of, or in opposition to, a particular bill. But even a senator can't be all things to all men.

Then there are the well-heeled lobby groups with their technical experts.

What can a committee with a limited appropriation do in competition with a private group with funds to hire the best legal or technical brains in the country to present its case? How can a member of a congressional committee be expected to know as much about a subject as a member of a government department who spends his whole time on the particular subject involved?

Fortunately, the situation is curable. One answer is—greater specialization on the part of the members of congress. This can be accomplished by cutting down the number of committees upon which a member is allowed to serve. In the house (with its larger membership) a member can concentrate on a single committee's work. In the senate, I know of one case where a senator found that all six committees on which he served were scheduled to meet at the same time on the same day.

Another solution for the problem would be provision for employment of non-political experts, both temporary and permanent, to advise committees on purely technical matters. This arrangement now exists but in such a limited degree that it is hardly effective.

BARBS . . . by Baukhage

Washington is 84th on a list of 92 cities in lung afflictions. Still sound of wind, anyhow, I hear you remark.

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Under the Hull reciprocal agreements, tariffs to 38 per cent are only 1 per cent lower than they were before 1913 and 8 per cent higher than under the Underwood act of that year.

The French air ministry has temporarily suspended voluntary enlistments in the French air force because "the number of applicants exceeds the number who can be enrolled and instructed."

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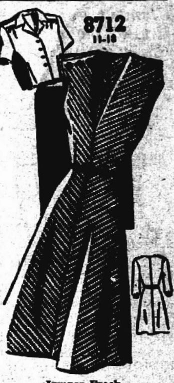
Congress is going to streamline itself. I wonder if the congressmen will have to diet down to a svelt silhouette to match.

This Jumper-Frock A Figure-Flatterer



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Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

EVERY producer of musicals in Hollywood is trying to equal Flo Ziegfeld's record, for no one person ever discovered more beautiful girls than Flo.

Flo picked 'em for his Broadway shows, but sooner or later—it was usually sooner—the studios signed 'em up on contracts and made 'em screen stars.

Strangely, too, many of those luscious blonde, brunette and titian stunners ended their careers tragically. Seems the candle of life burned too brightly for them, as most of the lovely moths finally burned their wings on the flame of fame.

Flo Ziegfeld

Irene Dunne evaded the "Ziegfeld curse" of heartbreak. She's one of the successful girls who started with Flo. This last season she has appeared in a pair of screen hits. Irene will shortly commence a comedy at Columbia—"Over 21," based on Ruth Gordon's stage hit.

Irene Dunne, incidentally, is as lucky in private life as she is professionally. She married Dr. Francis Griffin in 1927; they have one adopted daughter, Mary Frances, and they're all very happy, thank you.

A Hard Worker

Paulette Goddard is another who started as a Ziegfeld girl. Paulette was in "Rio Rita." She came here as a blonde showgirl to appear in the line of some of the early **Eddie Cantor** musical films. Paulette was ambitious—still is. She married **Charlie Chaplin**, appeared as his leading lady in "Modern Times" and "The Great Dictator," and prospered even more after she left his board and pictures. Paulette is currently under contract to Paramount and is married to **Actor Burgess Meredith**.

Virginia Bruce still appears in pictures. Virginia is wealthy in her own right, but her life has had many tragic moments. Her marriage with **John Gilbert** ended on the rocks. They had one child. Her happy marriage to **Director J. Walter Ruben** ended in despair when he died suddenly. They had a child, too.

From Tears to Cheers

Fannie Brice, currently making one of her rare appearances before the movie cameras in "Ziegfeld Follies," is a big radio name through her Baby Snooks character. Fannie was never a beauty, but she soared to fame as a comedy star. Although Fannie's career has been perennial, her private life hasn't been all orchids and ermine. She broke her heart over the man she married, Nicky Arnstein, when he went to jail. She was once Mrs. Billy Rose, but that didn't work either.

Gorgeous **Olive Thomas** was in several shows for Flo, and later starred in silent pictures for **Lewis J. Selznick**, David's father.

Olive married **Jack Pickford**, Mary's kid brother, and died tragically of an overdose of sleeping powders in a Paris hospital. Pretty, dainty **Marilyn Miller** starred in "Sally" and "Sunny" on the stage before she repeated those successes for the cameras. Marilyn, too, married Jack Pickford, and the ceremony caused a breach with Flo. The marriage didn't last long, ended in divorce. Marilyn was still a star when she died.

Never a Dull Moment

Ina Claire is best known as a stage star of drawing room comedy, but Ina was a Ziegfeld lass 'way back in "Follies of 1916." Ina's off-stage-and-screen life has been tempestuous, and several of her marriages have ended in divorces. Now Ina is happily wed to a San Francisco lawyer.

Billie Burke, who was not only Flo's wife but the star of one of his musicals (strangely, a flop) called "Annie Dear," still plays dizzy matrons in films, also on the air. Billie's stage career goes back to **Charles Frohman**.

Lupe Velez, who made so many "Mexican Spitfire" films, was in "Hotcha." The vehement Velez was married to **Johnny Weismuller** and divorced after a tempestuous period of marital strife.

There are dozens and dozens of "Follies" graduates, some whose lives are happy, gay and successful, others whose lives were tied up in eventual disappointment and defeat.

It seems sad that so many beautiful girls who had so much of this world's goods ended by really having so little happiness.

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Ideas Not for Privates

You could cast quite a play from the gang who gave **Pvt. Robert Porterfield** a surprise shipping-out party. Those who sent him off were the **Zachary Scotts, Jack Lees, Gregory Pecks, William Princes, John Hodiak, Anne Baxter, Marjorie Main, Selena Royle, James Hilton, Margaret Wycherly**, and **Mrs. John Craven**. Bob's been planning post-war veteran theater groups all over the country. It seems those ideas should come from a brass hat. So he's being shipped to Texas.

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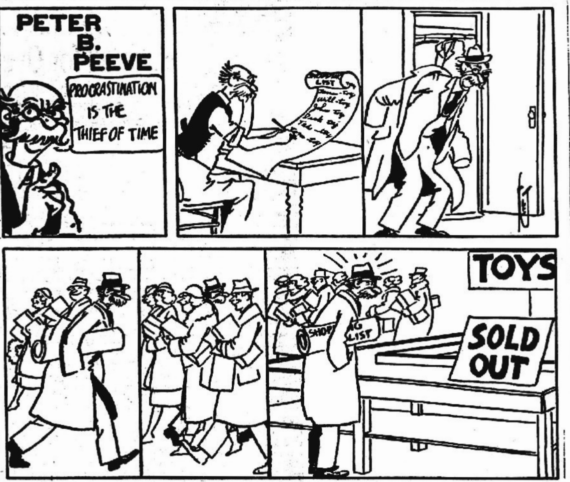

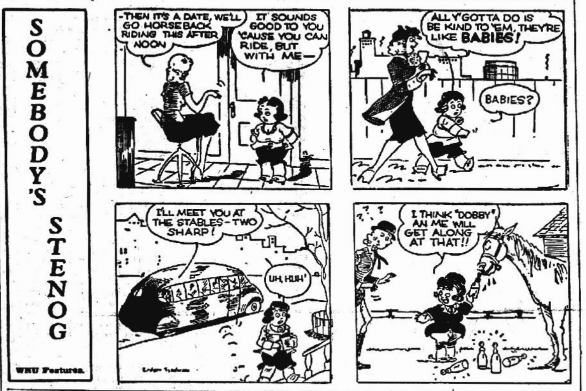
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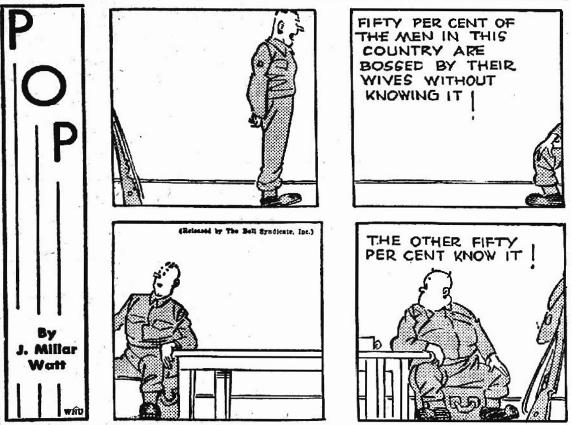
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Her—Especially at the movies!

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Sonny—Pop, may I have a dollar to go window-shopping?

Dad—You don't need any money for window-shopping.

Sonny—Well, you see it's for Mrs. Brown's window that I broke!

Fair Exchange

Jones (listening to speaker)—You know, it's wonderful the way he brings things home to you that you never thought of before.

Smith—Yeah, he reminds me of my laundryman!

HARD TO DECIDE

Calvin Coolidge and some friends were exchanging opinions about a senator's unusual speech methods.

"I remember when I heard him addressing an audience," said someone. "The senator ended his harangue by saying, 'I have just given you all the facts. Now you can vote for me or go to hell.' "

"Silent Cal" paused a moment, while the effect of this startling ending sunk in. Then he remarked:

"It was a difficult choice."

Relative Advantage

Harry—Are you going to hear my aunt sing?

Jerry—No. I have to look after my little brother.

Harry—I sure wish I had a little brother!

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Mrs. Blue—How did it work?

Mrs. Brown—I haven't spoken to him since!

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Waiter—What do you want me to do? Burn my thumb?

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Doctor—Well, you'll find that in the bill!

Low Ceiling!

Mrs. Brown—Your apartment is just perfect. Don't you think so?

Mrs. Smith—No, I'm going to move.

Mrs. Brown—Why, what's wrong?

Mrs. Smith—A saxophone player!

Skiing as a Sport

Although skis have been used as a means of travel, especially by armies, for at least 4,000 years, as evidenced by a runner of that age now in the Nordiska museum in Stockholm, skiing did not become a sport, even in the Scandinavian countries, until 1860.

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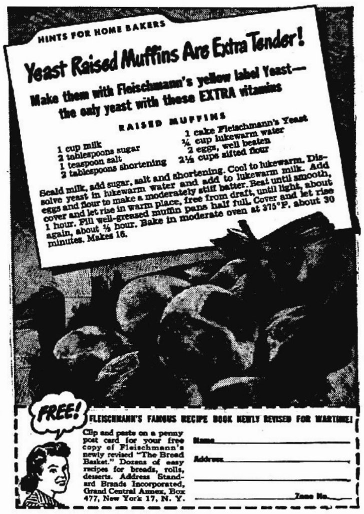
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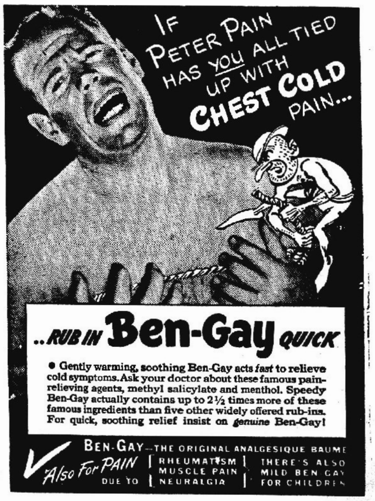
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Christmas Organ Music by Mrs. Bertha Hall.

Mrs. Lois Wyckoff and Miss Dorothy Hughs will sing the duet — "The First Carol" by Fred B. Holton.

Senior and Intermediate Fellowships at 7: 15 P. M.

There will be no evening worship service in the Church as the choir and congregation will join in the Community Christmas Song Festival in the High School Auditorium at 8:30.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. E. H. Puryear, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Training Union 6:45 P. M.

Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday, Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

Saturday Servicemen Fellowship hour 7:30 P. M.

THE CHURCH OF GOD

S. Verona Ave

Rev. W. O. Crews, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Sunday Evening Service 8:00 P. M.

Tuesday Prayer Service 8:15 P. M.

Thursday Young People's Service 8:15 P. M.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Sunday Worship 11:00 A. M.

Anthem: "My Prayer" by Kohlmann.

Sermon: "Prepare Ye the Way."

Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 the Covenant Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. William Hauptmann.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Paul D. Murphy, Minister

Sunday Services:

Bible study 10:00 A. M.

Preaching and Communion 11:00 A. M.

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

Preaching service 8:00 P. M.

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Rev. V. C. Mulkin, Pastor

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Sermon 11:00 A. M.

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

Week Days

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Methodist to Have Christmas Party Dec. 20

A Christmas party for the entire church, children, young people and adults, will be held in The Hut Wednesday night, Dec. 20th. at 7:30. A program of devotions, Christmas songs and recitations by the children, carol singing by everybody, and treats distributed by Santa Claus. Mrs. E. R. Carter assisted by her committee has arranged the delightful program.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as executor of the estate of Jennie Waychoff, Deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Honorable THOMAS A. MCNICHOLAS, County Judge of HIGHLANDS county, Florida on the 27th day of December, 1944 for approval of the same and for final discharge as executor of the estate of Jennie Waychoff, deceased.

This 23rd day of November, 1944.

E. RAY WELLS
Executor of the Estate of
Jennie Waychoff,
Deceased.

MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

IN COURT OF COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR FOR FINAL DISCHARGE
In re Estate of
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that on the 30th day of December A. D. 1944, I shall apply to the Honorable Thos A. McNicholas, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for a final discharge as Executrix of the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington deceased. My final report and application for final discharge are now on file in the office of said Judge..

Dated Dec. 1st. A. D. 1944.

BEULAH E. SAPPINGTON
Administratrix

S COLQUITT PARDEE,
Solicitor for Executor
Betts Bldg.
Avon Park, Fla.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Jas. C. Haines, 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. 1502

Year of Issuance 1930

Description of Property NE¼ of Section 14, Township 39 South, Range 29 East, 160 Acres.

Name in which assessed Annie L. Hathaway.

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 January, 1945, which is the 1st day of January, 1945.

Dated this 1st day of December 1944.

H. T. PIETY
Clerk of Circuit Court of
(SEAL) Highlands County, Florida.
By HELEN S. PECK,
D. C.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA.
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LOUISA BANE, DECEASED.
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final report as administrator of the estate of Louisa Bane, deceased; that I have filed my petition for final discharge, and that I will apply to the Honorable THOS. A. McNICHOLAS, County Judge of HIGHLANDS county, Florida on the 27th day of December, 1944 for approval of the same and for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Louisa Bane, deceased.

This 23rd day of November, 1944.

PAUL L. RUMPSA,
Administrator of the Estate of LOUISA BANE,
Deceased.

MATTIE W. TOMPKINS,
Attorney.
Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA
IN RE: ESTATE OF
GEORGE A. WARREN,
Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL CREDITORS AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified to file all claims and demands which you have against the estate of George A. Warren, deceased, in the office of T. A. McNicholas, County Judge, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from December 1st, 1944, which is the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing, must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, must be sworn to and must be filed as aforesaid, or else same will become void.

THE WASHINGTON LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY
By W. H. BADEN, Vice-President, As Executor of the Last Will and Testament of George A. Warren
Deceased.

JUDSON & WILLSON
Attorneys-at-Law
Bartow, Florida.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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TURKEYS lb 49c

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MEAT lb 25c

Skinless WEINERS	lb	29c
Fresh Pork FEET	3 lbs	25c
Pork BRAINS	lb	21c
Virginia Pork SOUSE	lb	29c

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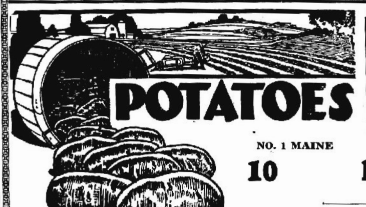
CHUCK ROAST	lb	28c
CLUB STEAK	lb	49c
RIB ROAST	lb	33c
SHORT RIBS	lb	21c

Unblemished Veal LIVER	lb	45c
Copeland's Fresh SAUSAGE	lb	39c
Beef BRAINS	lb	19c
Lamb LIVER	lb	29c



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Florida ORANGES	5 lbs.	32c
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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

HAROLD LAMBERT KILLED IN ACTION

Harold O. Lambert, chief machinist mate, USN., on duty in the South Pacific, has been killed in action, according to word received here Thursday night by his wife, Mrs. Louise Lambert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Smith. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Porter Lambert of Wauchula. Mrs. Lambert was with her husband in San Diego, California until January of this year, when he went on sea duty, and she has not seen him since that time.

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T/Sgt Elmer C. Clark has returned from New Guiena, where he served with the 31st Division artillery. His headquarters battery has just 15 of the original National Guard unit which left Avon Park November 21, 1940. The others are scattered throughout the army. His outfit is now in the Netherland East Indies. When his leave is up, he will go to Miami for re-assignment.

Pfc Marion Floyd Fennell writes home that he has married an English girl.

Ship's Cook 2/c Lewis Nader Jr., is home on leave, after an absence of over two years. He joined up in August, 1942, and put in 18 months in the hot corner of the Pacific. Aboard one of the Navy's largest and most modern aircraft carriers, he took part in all operations from Rabaul through the Philippines. His carrier's planes bombed and softened up Leyte prior to the invasion. Their biggest fight was at Saipan, Lewis said. His ship was never hit, but a near miss caused some casualties. He was in all of the major operations, including Rabaul, Tarawa, Truk, Marshalls, Saipan, Guam, Tinian, Chichi Jima, Formosa and the Philippines. Lewis trained at Norfolk, and joined the fleet in May, 1943. He drew a brand new carrier, and made its shakedown cruise in the Atlantic on patrol. Returning to port in Boston, they went to the Pacific, via the Panama Canal, San Diego, Pearl Harbor, and saw their first action at Rabaul.

Cadet Powell Skipper, who is taking his advanced training as a bombardier in the army air corps, at Childress AAF, Childress, Texas, is spending several days leave at his home.

Pfc. Francis Laflam, U. S. Marines, who has been on a tour of duty in the Southwest Pacific for the past three years, has arrived back in the states, and will be home in a short time for a visit with his folks.

Lt. Clyde Jarrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jarrett has had a nice Christmas present in the way of an advancement in rank to first lieutenant. His silver bars came to him at Malden, Missouri, where he is a glider instructor.

Lt. Clayton Fields, bombardier of a B-17, who is now a prisoner of war of Germany, has been promoted to first lieutenant, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fields.

Pvt. Warren Fields in the air transport command, stationed in Miami, is home for the Christmas holiday with his mother, Mrs. Mary Fields.

Pvt. Lester Rowe, infantry, is missing in action in France, according to word received by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Vivian Rowe this week. Pvt. Rowe is the only brother of the late Lt. Harold Rowe, U. S. Marines who was recently killed in action on the Island of Guam.

IKE HART AT MIAMI

MIAMI BEACH., Dec. 21 — 1st Lt. Ike C. Hart, Jr., 25, Sebring, Fla. has arrived at Army Air Forces Redistribution Station No. 2 in Miami Beach for reassignment processing after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States.

Medical examinations and classification interviews at this post, pioneer of several redistribution stations operated by the AAF Personnel Distribution Command for AAF returnee officers and enlisted men, will determine his new assignment. He will remain at the redistribution station about two weeks, much of which will be devoted to rest and recreation.

He flew 85 missions as a B-25 pilot during 13 months in the China-Burma-India theater and won the DFC with cluster and the Air Medal with cluster. He attended Emory University in 1938-40 and operated a cattle ranch with his father, I. C. Hart, of Sebring. His wife lives in Avon Park, Fla.

LT. CARVER MAKES FIRST COMBAT FLIGHT

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, England — Second Lieutenant Weyman S. Carver, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raiford A. Carver of Avon Park, received his baptism in aerial warfare during an Eighth Air Force Bombing attack on oil refineries at Merseburg, Germany.

The B-17 Flying Fortress pilot, a member of the 34th Bomb Group, is taking part in the concentrated effort of the AAF to knock out Nazi war-making installations and speed victory for the Allied armies on the road to Berlin.

Lt. Carver's group, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel William E. Creer, is a unit of the Third Bombardment Division, the division cited by the President for its now historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt plants at Regensburg, Germany.

Highlands Goes Over Quota in 6th Loan Drive

Guignard Maxcy, chairman of the Sixth War Loan drive in Highlands County, announced yesterday that the citizens of Highlands County had gone well over their quota, with the purchase of $613,192.50, cash value, in war bonds, at the close of the Sixth War Loan drive Saturday. The quota for the county was set at a meeting on November 17 at $527,000 in cash value. The quota in face value was $735,000.

Following are the totals in cash value of the bonds purchased throughout the county during the drive:

Sebring, Tropical State Bank, $134,055; Post Office, $4,837.50; Hendricks Field, $150,000; Avon Park, including bonds purchased at the Barnett Bank, Avon Park Army Air Field and the Post Office, $292,800; Lake Placid, Hicoria and Venus, $31,500.

Bonds purchased in Sebring totaled $288,892.50 in cash value. The quota set for Sebring and Avon Park in face value was $300,000 each. Mr. Maxcy stated that the county went over the top as in the five previous war loan drives. All bonds purchased during the remainder of the month of December will be added to the total at the end of the drive which officially closed last Saturday.

Hendricks Field military and civilian personnel sent their quota over the top early last week and at the end of the drive Saturday were credited with $150,000 worth of bonds. The Hendricks Field drive was under the direction of the Post Public Relations office.

Highlands Ag. Committee in Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Highlands County Agricultural Conservation Association, which directs the AAA program throughout the County, was held at the Court House Monday night. The early part of the program covered discussions of the past, present, and for the coming years.

C. Parke Anderson, Chairman of the AAA Committee for the past nine years and reelected to serve his tenth term, discussed the development of the program and how the development had changed the agricultural picture of the county from a small acreage of citrus and vegetable production to large acreages in these lines and close to 100,000 acres in improved pastures, resulting in pure bred and high grade beef type cattle replacing the piney wood cattle that once roamed the ranges.

Louis Alsmeyer took up the tentative 1945 program, going over it item by item, stressing the important features of each practice and pointing out slight changes in the coming program.

Jesse Vaughn, the third member of the AAA Committee, talked on land preparation and grass planting, itemizing the expense an operator has in liming, phosphating, double cutting, and sowing a tract of land to grass. He points out that at present day labor costs, the expense ran up to better than $23 when he recovered from the AAA program something like $14. He pointed out however that the improved pasture would return much more grass than the wild pasture and that the lime and phosphate application would be sufficient for several years.

Miss Edith Murphy, who has been in charge of the AAA records for a number of years, explained on what basis farmers were paid for carrying out recommended conservation practices, at what seasons they should make different reports, and finally that this year the cut-off date for signing performance sheets had been moved up to January 15th from the previous March 15th. She urged that every farmer in the program make a report on the year's activities as soon as possible in order to facilitate the work in the office.

County Agent Oxer took up the shallow drainage of pastures which was a new practice the past year. Several ranchers tried the shallow drainage ditches the past season and found them very satisfactory in keeping the pastures from being under water long enough to kill out the grass. It was pointed out that possibly control dams will be necessary in areas that have considerable fall and tend to drain off too rapidly or too much, or which tend to wash the ditches too deep.

Following the program the election of the AAA Committee for the 1945 program was held and the previous committee of C. Parke Anderson, Louis Alsmeyer, and Jesse Vaughn were re-elected.

LAMBSY HAS PUPPIES

Lambsy, the Spitz-collie dog belonging to Mrs. M. J. Bell gave birth to five puppies last Saturday. Several days later, on Tuesday to be exact, to the surprise of the family, the sixth puppy arrived on the scene. The last member of the family appears to be as hale and hearty as the other five.

Soldiers Write Gov. Caldwell for Florida Sand

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE FIGHTER STATION, England — Three specialized ground soldiers in this Eighth Air Force fighter station who "have an itch to rub our feet in Florida sand again," have appealed to Governor Millard Caldwell to be their Santa Claus and rush them a package of the Seminole State's 'beach gold" for Christmas.

The three are Staff Sergeant Wilson D. McRae, 30, of Graceville, a crew chief, Corporal Peter Casanova, 26, Tampa, a cook, and Corporal Gordon K. Richardson, 33, of Tavares, a maintenance mechanic.

They are members of the 78th Fighter Group, commanded by Colonel Frederic C. Gray, of Abilene, Tex. This group flies daily escort to heavy bomber armadas hitting targets in Germany with their P-47 Thunderbolts and bombs and strafes Nazi communication and supply lines.

"I'm going to put that sand in a box and heat it up to about 100 degrees Fahrenheit," said Cpl. Casanova. "Then I'm going to take off my shoes, stick my bare feet in the box, close my eyes, and just dream."

The idea of a letter to Florida's new governor started when Sgt. McRae, shivering in England's cold and damp winter, began thinking of surf, hot sun and palm trees. The sergeant met Cpl. Casanova and Cpl. Richardson at lunch the same day and found that both had been thinking the same thing.

"Next to a one-way ticket home," Cpl. Richardson stated, "it would be the nicest Christmas present a Floridian could receive."

Although none of the three has ever flown over Germany, they, and the other specialized ground personnel at their station, have contributed a great deal to the 78th Group's record of destroying over 375 Nazi planes in the air and on the ground, according to the commanding officer.

Upon Sgt. McRae rests the responsibility of supervising a repair crew and seeing that the Thunderbolts 2,000 horsepower engine is in perfect condition for its deep penetration into Nazi territory. Cpl. Casanova, in preparing menus and food, keeps up the morale and health of pilots and ground crewmen, while Cpl. Richardson maintains vehicles which must be in good condition to carry heavy loads over England's lanes and highways.

The text of the letter to the governor follows:

"Your Excellency;

All three of us are Floridians and all three of us are proud of it. We have two aims in life; the first is to beat the Nazis and Japs, and the second is to get back to Florida and our families. Since taking care of the first aim will delay accomplishment of the second for awhile, we have been thinking of the Christmas present that will bring home closest to us.

"Our decision has been finally made and the gift we would like most is a box of Florida sand. We have an itch to rub our feet in it and make believe we are back on the beaches of Florida.

"Trusting that, as Florida's new governor, you will take care of the desires of her sons in service, we are yours sincerely,

Sgt. McRae
Cpl. Casanova
Cpl. Richardson."

Christmas Festival at Auditorium Draws Large Crowd

The high school auditorium was well filled last Sunday evening, when the first Community Christmas Festival, featuring music by combined church choirs, numbers by the high school band and carols by school children was held.

The churches of the city joined in the Festival, the vested choirs from the various churches presenting several of the musical numbers.

About 100 grammar school children, under the direction of Mrs. Frank Morgan, director of music in elementary schools, sang a group of Christmas carols, and the high school band, with Gene Gorman, director played selections. Mrs. Ralph Stillwell, soloist presented an appropriate number. Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., was piano accompanist for the musical numbers.

Mrs. Chas. Kenney, president of the Avon Park Woman's Club, sponsoring organization, in a brief talk, said it was hoped the Festival would be made an annual affair.

More About Fishing Contest; Nothing on How to Catch 'em

The week of January 14th has been set as the date for the fishing contest sponsored by the Fish and Game Association. The rules committee is still working, and promise that registration rules and other data for the big event will be announced next week. Sentiment reported among fishermen, is for everybody to go to his own favorite fishing hole; see his duty and do it, and bring the catch to the fish and game club, and cook and eat. One thing settled: All fishermen are to return to the clubhouse at 5 o'clock on contest day.

LAKE BYRD LODGE

Lake Byrd Lodge To Be Congregational Church Summer Camp

Lake Byrd Lodge, ideally located in a tropical setting has been purchased by the Florida Congregational Christian Conferences for a conference center for various groups of young people, and a central meeting place for officers of the church. It is purposed to repair and redecorate the present building, and to build additional cabins and cottages, and a small chapel on the property.

William N. Tuttle, superintendent of Florida Congregational Christian Churches, in a communication to The Sun says:

In acquiring Lake Byrd Lodge at Avon Park the Florida Congregational Christian Conference realizes the fulfillment of a long felt need for a Conference Center at which camps and conferences for various groups of young people and the officers of the Conference can be held. The active interest and cooperation of Messrs C. H. Walker and J. Paul Garber of the Avon Florida Citrus Corporation and of Rev. Emmanuel Hedgebeth, pastor of the Union Congregational Church was a large factor in making the decision to locate the Conference Center in Avon Park.

The Lodge itself is ideally located in the geographical center of the penninsula, and will be convenient to the group of churches that will use its facilities. As soon as conditions permit new building, It is expected that additional cabins and cottages will be constructed and a small chapel will be erected on the property. Extensive repairs will also be made on the present building.

It is hoped that it may be possible to hold the annual meeting of the Board of Directors and Conference Committees at the Lodge early in February. Two conferences for young people are being planned for the month of June, and it is hoped that a year round program of activities may eventually be developed.

A local committee for oversight of the property has been appointed consisting of Rev. Emmanuel Hedgebeth, Mr. J. Paul Garber, Mr. Parke Anderson and Mr.. John Hood. The officers of the Conference deeply appreciate the cordiality and interest of the people of Avon Park, and hope that this new project may prove mutually advantageous.

LET'S START 1945 WITH A CLEAN TOWN

YOU CAN HELP BY OBSERVING THE FOLLOWING SIMPLE SUGGESTIONS:

LABOR AVAILABLE — Simply call 280, Chamber of Commerce or 134 City Hall, and you will be assigned as many men as you need.

DISPOSAL SERVICE — The City of Avon Park will provide ample trucks for hauling debris and rubbish accumulated either by the above labor or by yourself. Simply deposit in piles at your curb.

SUGGESTIONS WANTED — If you know of a vacant lot that needs cleaning, simply refer that information to either of the above phone numbers.

COST TO YOU — The labor will consist of Bahamans, and their pay is 60c per hour. The city will collect from you for the labor you have used (on the above basis) and will pay the labor for you.

SUPERVISION — Mr. Bob Still, superintendent of city parks, will have charge together with other capable supervisors to see that you are given a full hours work for your 60c.

WHEN — December 26th is the start of the campaign, and it will continue to January 2. Your simple part is to make your plans NOW, phone either of the above numbers, or call in person, and register your needs, the CIVIC PRIDE ORGANIZATION will do the rest.

LET'S ALL PITCH IN — One week is all that's needed. If you'll help by following the suggestions above, and take care of your own, the job will be done. Roll up your sleeves, or open your purse, and AVON PARK can meet the New Year smiling.

TOOLS — If you own a rake, shovel, hoe, axe, cross cut saw, or other clean-up tool, and willing to loan it, you will assist the campaign measurably if you will mark the tool with your name, bring it to City Hall, and give it to Mr. Still who will be responsible for the items, and see that they are returned to you at the close of the campaign.

CIVIC PRIDE ORGANIZATION

PTA Met Thursday Afternoon; Hears Christmas Program

The Avon Park P. T. A. held its December meeting Thursday afternoon, December 14 at 3:30, in the auditorium of the elementary building. A delightful Christmas play was presented by the two Third grades under the direction of Mrs. Jewel Shepherd and Mrs. Florence Siegle.

Mrs. H. A. Woodbury announced the winners in the membership contest. Mrs. C. E. Myers room won the five dollar prize for the highest percentage of parent membership; and Miss Alma Harrell's room the three dollar prize for the most non-parent members in the elementary building. In the high school Mrs. Wilma Peden's room won the five dollar prize and Mrs. Shearer, the three dollar award.

In the room count Mrs. Siegle room won for the elementary school and Miss Anderson for the high school. These rooms had the most parents attending the meeting. — Publicity Chairman.

HOLIDAY HOURS IN GROCERY STORES

All grocery stores in Avon Park will be closed on Monday, Christmas day, and will also observe the regular Wednesday afternoon closing hours. The same procedure will be in effect on New Year's day, (Next Week) when the stores will close on Monday, Jan. 1 and again on Wednesday afternoon, as usual. Housewives are reminded to buy for the two day closing periods each week.

Methodist Church Members Have Christmas Party

Santa Claus was present to deliver gifts and candies to members of the Methodist Church at their annual Christmas party at the hut on Wednesday. A lighted tree was a feature of the decorations.

An impromptu program was given by pupils of the nursery and kindergarten through the young people's department, who closed the program with a short skit. Christmas carols, led by Sgt. Jay Buxton, were sung by the group. Rev. M. E. Myer, pastor of the church, led a 20 minute devotional, based on the Christmas story. Mrs. E. R. Carter, assisted by a committee, was in charge of arrangements.

Methodist Group Has Holiday Party Tuesday

The WSCS of the First Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas party in the hut on Tuesday afternoon. The spacious room was decorated with bowls of colorful fruit, candles and a lighted tree for the occasion. A feature of the afternoon was the presentation of the "White Gifts" brought by each guest, these gifts to be used for special distribution at this season.

Games formed pleasant entertainment, after which dainty refreshments of cookies and tea or coffee were served. Favors were Christmas stockings filled with nuts, candies and raisins.

Eddie Holohan Returns; Plans Flying School

Eddie Holohan, former instructor at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy, has returned to Avon Park from Miami, and intends to make his permanent home here. Mr. Holohan stated that he expects to establish a flying school here, and is negotiating with the aviation committee and the city council for permission to establish such a school at the municipal airport.

Holohan is sold on Avon Park as a strategic location for development of aviation, and believes this section has great possibilities in the commercial field. He formerly operated an airport at Miami, and was connected with the All American Air Maneuvers for three years. He was executive officer of one of the first squadrons for the Civil Air Patrol in Miami, and is a member of the NAA in Avon Park.

Live Snugly in 9x11 For $15 Per In California

The editor of The Sun has just read a letter received by a resident of Avon Park, written by a Junior Lieutenant in the Navy, under date of November 20, from Coronado, California. (Coronado is the Navy headquarters at San Diego). It is interesting to note the housing situation in California, as compared with Florida and Avon Park. The letter reads, in part:

"We (himself and wife) have found what appears to be the only available spot on Coronado except at the Del Coronado Hotel, where some of my friends live at $10.00 daily! We have a tiny room about 9 by 11, at $15.00 per week! At night, we pull out a studio couch; one of us sleeps on the soft side, and the other reflects, on the hard side; frequently both crowd on the soft (?) side in desperation. When we arise in the morning, we hurriedly shake the bed together to make room in which to dress and set up the card table for breakfast. There is a small closet where, besides our clothes, must hang our shredded wheat, bacon and eggs, during the day. One drawer in our bureau serves as a cupboard for dishes, silverware, and table linen. We cook on a couple of single burner electric plates. We also have a toothbrush rack-shower combination; here sequence is important, as the shower floods the room and leaves water on the floor. The pittance, called rent, helps to support a Navy Captain and wife who own the home, including the maid's quarters wherein we live happily, and shall I say, snugly."

It seems evident that Coronado has the same problem as Avon Park, but is not so patriotic when it comes to rentals

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lander and son, Joe Allen of Panama City are the holiday guests of Mrs. Lander's mother, Mrs. L. E. Bass and other relatives here.

Pine Crest To Open Jan. 1st For the Season

Pine Crest Lakes Club, its rooms completely redecorated and its grounds and golf course rebuilt and replanted, will open for the season on New Year's Day, Kenneth Arnold, the club's new manager announced today.

The property which was recently purchased by H. C. Wright of Chicago and Mark Thompson of Boston from the Hitchcock estate, has been undergoing a complete overhaul job the past two months and wonders have been worked at this, one of Florida's most attractive tourist hotels. Mr. Wright, chairman of the board of the Chicago Flexible Shaft Company and Mr. Thompson, prominent in the hotel supply business in Boston, have spared no effort or money in restoring the club to its former state of beauty.

Mr. Arnold, the club's new manager, who has been directing these improvements for the past two months, is well known throughout Florida and the nation as former assistant general manager of the Collier Hotels, where he directed the operation of such outstanding hotels as the Tampa Terrace, The Floridan, Lakeland Terrace, Sarasota Terrace, Manatee River hotel at Bradenton, Charlotte Harbor at Punta Gorda, Gasparilla Inn at Boca Grande, Useppa Inn at Useppa Island, Dixie Court Hotel West Palm Beach and was general manager of the Royal Worth hotel at West Palm Beach. He severed his connection with the group when the hotels were sold last winter. He is a former president of the Florida State Hotel Association, and is an Elk and Mason.

Mr. Arnold is pleased with the cooperation and assistance he has received since coming here. "The people of Avon Park have been splendid in extending every courtesy possible to us, he said. "We want the public to feel that as a club it belongs to them, and we are open to serve them with parties, dinners or in any way we can serve them."

The 18-hole golf course, one of Florida's finest, has been completely rebuilt and is now open under the direction of Jack Patroni, assisted by John Lombardy. Between 30 and 40 workmen have been at work on the course for the past 60 days. The creek has been opened and cleared of undergrowth. Fairways have been improved and greens are in top playing condition. Every room of the hotel has been redecorated. A new dock covered with striped awnings has been built on Lake Lotela. A diving tower faces the dock from the west. New fishing boats and canoes have been added. Gardeners have been at work since August and are producing beautiful plants and flowers.

Odean Bishop Returns to Civilian Life

TYNDALL FIELD, FLA., — M. Odean Bishop of Houston, Texas has just completed her tour of duty as a Women's Air Forces Service Pilot. She was stationed at Tyndall Field, Fla., one of the largest flexible gunnery schools in the Army Air Forces Training Command.

WASP duties at Tyndall Field consisted of towing targets behind B-26 bombers, piloting routine administrative cross country flights, handling ferry trips, and working in the post operations office. In their various capacities, they proved able assistants, and in many cases relieved flying officers for combat duty.

The WASPs were disbanded as an organization on December 20 by the Army Air Forces, because the AAF's heavily expanded pilot training made it no longer necessary to use women pilots. Certificates of Honorable Discharge were presented to the WASPs upon deactivation of the organization.

In saying farewell to the group of WASPs stationed here, Col. John W. Persons, commanding officer, complimented them on the excellent work they had done, and thanked them for their fine spirit of cooperation.

Before leaving Tyndall Field, Miss Bishop said her future plans were to seek employment in some flying capacity or other work vital to the war effort.

Miss Bishop is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bishop, 23 N. Forest Ave., Avon Park, Florida.

Funeral Services For Miss Brown Held in Sebring

Miss Elizabeth P. Brown, 90, retired nurse, died Wednesday at the home of Miss Elizabeth Ewing, following a long illness. Funeral services were held at Stephenson Funeral chapel in Sebring at 3:00 o'clock, Friday afternoon. Interment will be held at 11:00 o'clock Saturday morning in Myrtle Hill cemetery, Tampa. She has no known surviving rlatives..

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Personals

Mrs. Betty Bradburn of Guthrie, Okla., has arrived to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kyle.

Mrs. Minetta Wright of Haines City is the holiday guest of her son, J. C. Wright and family.

Mrs. Ethel Ware of Orlando arrived Tuesday to be the house guest during the holidays of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Ware and family. Carl Ware, also of Orlando, will join his mother, and brother and family here Christmas day.

Miss Betty Semmes of Rollins College, Winter Park, is the house guest for the holidays of Miss Peggy Mandis.

Mrs. George Voorhees left Wednesday for New York to spend the holidays with her daughters, Mrs. Robert Tolman and Mrs. Harry Ros.

Mrs. H. R. Hoffman and son, Herman Rudolph of Toledo, Ohio are spending the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Beckett and family.

Mrs. Chas. Denman of Haines City is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mostris for several days. She was formerly Miss Porpi Mostris.

Mrs. Pearl Spink, former Avon Park resident, now of Kalamazoo, Mich., is spending some time here looking after property interests.

Miss Barre Pritchett of Charlotte, N. C., who has occupied Mrs. H. H. Stagger's home on Lake Vigo for several months, was called to Washington, D. C. last week. She had made many friends who regret her departure.

Mrs. W. F. Hoone of Baltimore, Md., arrived recently to spend the winter months with her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Hunnings.

Mrs. Karen Ogg and daughter, Kay of Tampa were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hagan and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stewart, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. W. W. Cornell and two children will leave Sunday morning for Live Oak. Mrs. Cornell and children are returning to their home in Live Oak after an extended visit here with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart will also visit their son, Robert Stewart and family in Live Oak.

Miss Millie Pearson left Wednesday night for Bailey, N. C., to spend the holidays at her home.

Miss Marjorie Wells left Thursday for Buffalo, N. Y., to spend the Christmas holidays with Miss Peggy Anderson. They were recent classmates at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, N. C.

Cadets David Lanier and Howard Todd of The Bolles School, Jacksonville, arrived home Wednesday for the holidays. They were met in Orlando enroute home by Cadet Lanier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier.

Miss Marie Anderson is spending the holidays in Bradenton at her home.

Mrs. John Timmons and two young nephews, Wayne and Bryan Kempton arrived several days ago to spend the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W Sherertz. Mrs. Charles Kempton and two other children, Michael and Owens arrived Thursday to to visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherertz and her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kempton.

Mrs. J. L. Wells and daughter, Miss Peggy Jo Wells are in Lakeland for Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. Mabel Lohr.

Mrs. Vivian Rowe and two children, Jimmie and Camille will leave Sunday for Orange Park, to spend the holidays with the alte Lieutenant Rowe's mother, Mrs. E. T. Austin.

Mrs. DeLoy James returned Tuesday to her home in Toledo, Ohio, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Armstrong.

Misses Evelyn and Dorcas Gribble, who are attending Bethany Peniel college at Bethany, Okla., are spending the holidays in Amarillo, Texas, with their brother, Flight Officer George Gribble.

Mrs. Marion McClendon, received word this week that her brother-in-law, Lt. Adrain A. McClendon of Tucson, Arizona, P-51 pilot, was shot down over the Philippines, November 10. He was the brother of the late Lt. Elwood McClendon, air force pilot, who was killed in action.

Cadet E. C. Wever, who is attending Riverside Academy at Gainesville, Ga., is home for the holidays.

Paul Jordon, who is employed in Jacksonville, has arrived to spend Christmas with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Armstrong and D. A. Brodie spent Tuesday in Clewiston and Ft. Myers.

Capt. and Mrs. J. H. Sanders and son, Jimmy of Ft. Myers are spending Christmas with Mrs. Sanders' parents, Major and Mrs. Merle F. Allen. Capt. Sanders is stationed at Page Field in Ft. Myers.

John Giddens, who has been attending Clemson college, Clemson, S. C., arrived home this week end to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Giddens. John, who is in the army air corps reserve will report for training at Keesler Field, Miss., December 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hair arrived this week from Washington, D. C. to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hair's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bigbie.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Head and daughter, Miss Yvonne Head, Mrs. Ruby Bass and son, Mel, Mrs. Lucy Crumley, and Mrs. Ethel Koch will spend Christmas in Ft Meade with Mrs. Head's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith.

EACH CHRISTMAS as it comes and goes proves anew that love is the only binding power of the world. In these dark days of late December when the brightness of smiles make ample amends for lack of brightness overhead, we again send our most hearty Christmas Greetings.

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During this sacred season, mellowed by the thought of those who cannot be with us, we have abundant reason for gratitude. We have come a long way since the dark Christmas of 1941. The Star in the East shines brighter now.

That this may, indeed, be a Merry Christmas for you and yours is our ardent wish.

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Christmas Party at Wells Home Friday Evening

The Adult Training Union of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a Christmas party on Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Ray Wells. Two miniature lighted Christmas trees on the mantel cast a colorful reflection in the oblong mirror above the mantel, and a replica of Santa Claus lent further emphasis of the seasonable motif.

During the evening, the group sang Christmas carols at various homes about the city, after which they returned to the Wells home for an exchange of humorous gifts. Delicious refreshments of fruit cake with sauce, homemade cookies, fudge and coffee were served.

Those sharing the pleasures of the evening included Mrs. E. L. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harrison, Mrs. R. C. Hutchinson, Mrs. Versie Batson, Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Puryear, Capt and Mrs. H. T. Wingate, Mrs. Clarice Hubbard, Mrs. Devon Reddick, Mrs. Bernice Stillwell, Mrs. Harmon Atkins, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells.

Club Entertains Football Boys at Christmas Party

Among the delightful affairs of the holiday season was the formal party given last Friday evening at the Jack Head home, when members of the N. B. club entertained the Red Devil football squadron and their dates. The guests were greeted at the door by the five attractive hostesses for the evening, Misses Yvonne Head, Barbara Bridges, Barbara Lawhon, Jeanine Crews, and Betty Dye, all attired in formal frocks with matching corsages in Christmas colors.

The rooms were resplendent with lavish arrangements of poinsettias and Christmas greenery. The highlight of the evening was the showing by J. Paul Garber of moving pictures of the football squadron in action at Memorial Field; the recent Florida-Georgia football game in Jacksonville, and other scenes of local interest.

Late in the evening, the dainty buffet supper was served from the dining table, overlaid with a lace cloth and centered with sprays of poinsettia in a silver bowl. The punch bowl at one end of the table was surrounded with the punch cups, to which were attached the name cards, with scarlet ribbons.

Special guests for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carter, and Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Hedgebeth.

The mothers of the hostesses all assisted in the arrangements 1 this lovely affair.

. . . It's Christmas! So Let's Celebrate!

Let's celebrate by recalling on every day what Christmas is and what it means. Let's celebrate by never doubting that eventually Good shall triumph. Let's celebrate by making children happy and by opening our hearts to those in need.

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Sans Souci Club Has Christmas Dinner Party

Members of the Sans Souci Club enjoyed their annual Christmas dinner party on Tuesday evening. Yuletide decorations were featured on the long table in the dining room in the Jacaranda Coffee Shop, where the dinner was served.

Tables for bridge were arranged in the Customer's room, where poinsettias and holly berries were used to clever advantage. After two progressions, scores were totaled, and high and second high score prizes were presented to Miss Millie Pearson and Mrs. Freed Peden. Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr., was awarded the cut prize, resulting from two games of bingo. The prizes were all Defense Stamps. An exchange of gifts from a decorated tree proved an enjoyable feature.

These sharing this delightful affair were Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Marie Anderson, Miss Mildred Myers, Mrs. Ben T. Stewart, Mrs. Freed Peden, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. Verna Heim, Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Mrs. Philip Boardman, Mrs. Alice Sherman, and Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr.

Miss Peggy Mandis Entertains at Tea Honoring Guest

Miss Peggy Mandis entertained at a lovely afternoon tea from four 'til six o'clock at her home on Friday afternoon, the affair being in honor of her house guest, Miss Betty Semmes of Rollins college, Winter Park.

A large Christmas wreath on the door, and yuletide floral arrangements in the room lent a holiday note of cheer. The attractively appointed tea table was overlaid with a lace cloth, and centered with a low bowl of red roses. Homemade Christmas dainties were served with the tea. Mrs. Sue Gregory gracefully presided at the tea table. A number of close friends of the hostess were invited to call during the designated hours.

BPW Club Has Supper Party Monday Evening

A covered dish supper featured the delightful Christmas party given by the BPW Club at the Customer's Room on Monday evening. The tables were overlaid with colorful crepe papers covers, each with a centerpiece of small clusters of Brazilian peppers. Tall vases on either side of the room held colorful bouquets of poinsettias.

A feature of the evening was the distribution of gifts from beneath the gaily lighted and decorated Christmas tree. Following the delicious supper, bridge was enjoyed for a short period. At a short business meeting, the members voted to give a magazine subscription to the base hospital.

These sharing this particularly lovely affair were Mrs. H. C. Bigbie Mrs. Philip Boardman, Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Mrs., C. A. Clark, Mrs. B. T. Stewart, Mrs. A. B. Wilhite, Mrs. T. J. McGinnis, Mrs. Vera Garner, Mrs. Bill Friedman, Mrs. Mary Holcomb, Mrs. J. C. DeShong, Mrs. Ken Harris, Mrs. Freed Peden, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Kate Tompkins, Miss Mattie Tompkins, Miss Margaretha Vogt, and Mrs. R. A. Craig.

Mrs. Van Slayden Hostess at Eggnog Party Saturday

Mrs. Van Slayden will entertain a group of friends at her home from five 'til seven o'clock Saturday evening at an eggnog party. Yuletide decorations of mistletoe, pine cones tied with red ribbons, branches of Christmas greenery and a gaily lighted tree will be used to create a warm glow of hospitality for the occasion. Delicious fruit cake will be served with the eggnog.

Guests who will attend are Col. and Mrs. Dan Ellis, Miss Zelda Davidoff, Stanford, Conn., Mrs. Sue Gregory, Mrs. Clara Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mandis, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Harry W. Norton, New Orleans, Miss Ruth Norton, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Betts, Miss Nancy Betts, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Thayer, Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Touchton, Mrs. Paul Moscat, Miss Beverly Fein, Mr. and Mrs. Demos Mandis, Miss Peggy Mandis, Miss Betty Semmes, Mr. and Mrs Ralph Herring, and Father and Mrs. John E. Daley.

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

In re Estate of
ROSS FRAZIER SAPPINGTON

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that on the 30th day of December A. D. 1944, I shall apply to the Honorable Thos A. McNicholas, Judge of said Court, as Judge of Probate, for a final discharge as Executrix of the estate of Ross Frazier Sappington deceased. My final report and application for final discharge are now on file in the office of said Judge..

Dated Dec. 1st. A. D. 1944.
BEULAH E. SAPPINGTON
Administratrix
S COLQUITT PARDEE,
Solicitor for Executor
Avon Park, Fla.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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The rules of the contest are as follows:

The first baby or babies born after midnight, December 31st, will be awarded the prizes in the order of their arrival in Avon Park. Namely, first prize to first baby; second prize to second baby; and third prize to third baby.

Proof of time of birth must be a letter from doctor that delivered the baby, stating time of birth, sex, name of baby and name and address of parents.

The prizes will be awarded Wednesday, January 10th, and the winners' names will be published in the Sun on January 13th, 1945.

This contest applies to Avon Park trading area only, including babies born at Avon Park Army Air Field.

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Harry W. Norton arrived Tuesday from New Orleans to spend the holidays at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Johnson and family.

NOTICE
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November 29, 1944

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 9, Chapter 18296, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1937, known as the Murphy Act, the following described land in Highlands County, Florida, will be offered for sale at public outcry for the highest and best bid, subject to the right of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to reject any and all bids, at the Court House beginning at 11:00 o'clock A. M. on the 1st day of January, 1945. Easement for road right-of-way 200 feet wide will be reserved from any parcel through which there is an existing State Road and as to land in composite tracts of 10 acres or more, title to one-half of all petroleum and three-fourths of other minerals will be reserved.

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Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

Philathea Class Has Annual Christmas Party

The Philathea class of the First Baptist Sunday School held their annual Christmas supper party in the basement of the church on Monday evening. The delicious supper consisted of chicken and dressing, congealed salad, peas, hot rolls and butter, coffee, and apple pie with cheese.

The table, in a T shape was appropriately decorated with crimson poinsettia and tall red and green tapers in keeping with the yuletide motif. The beautifully decorated tree held a gift for each guest. About thirty members of the class attended this delightful affair.

HOWARD TODD WINS HONORS AT BOLLES

Cadet Howard D. Todd, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd, has been awarded an Academic Merit Bar at The Bolles School, Jacksonville, Florida, for having received scholastic honors throughout the quarter.

'TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS
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Miss Anna Heyl Succeeds Patricia Barry at USO

Miss Anna Mary B. Heyl arrived at the USO Club Tuesday as Assistant Director, succeeding Miss Patricia Barry who has been assigned to the 27th St. USO Club in Miami, and Mr. Wm. Fitzgerald, who, after having been at the club as a temporary Assistant is returning to USO — NCCS in Washington, D. C.

Miss Heyl is formerly from Pittsburgh, a graduate of Mt. Alvern's college there and a post graduate student at the Curter's Institute of music. Prior to coming into USO she had done extensive work in recreation in Pittsburgh, and was connected with clubs in Biloxi, Mississippi, and Tampa.

DAVID LANIER HONORED AT BOLLES

Cadet David F. Lanier son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lanier, has been awarded a Chapel Warden's Merit Bar at the Bolles School, Jacksonville, Florida. The award is made by the school chaplain for assisting him and for promoting the activities of the chapel. David also has been awarded a conduct merit bar, for having a perfect conduct record for the quarter.

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GEORGE SANDERS
and
LINDA DARNELL
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THURSDAY & FRIDAY
"Bathing Beauty"
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and
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also
"The Battle of Europe"

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We wish for you and your family this season of 1944-45 a typical American Christmas.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Harvey H. Staggers arrived during the past week from Fairmont, W. Va., to occupy her home on Lake Vigo. Her son, Lt. Theodore Staggers, who was reported missing in action in September, has been heard from, and is now a prisoner of war in Germany. Another son, Tom Staggers is in Oran, Africa and her third son, Harvey Jr., expects to be sent overseas from Deming Air Field, N. M. after Jan. 1.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. P. L. Christensen and two sons, Jorgen and John of Washington, D. C., arrived Wednesday afternoon to spend Christmas with Mrs. Christensen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hall. Col. Christensen is in the office of Chief of Ordnance, Ammunition Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McFarland and sons, Clement, Paul and David are spending the Christmas holidays in Bradenton with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McFarland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Farnell and son, Ronnie of Tampa are here for the Christmas week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Farnell and Mr. and Mrs. Theo Weisheyer, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sherman have arrived from Baltimore, Md., to spend the holidays with the former's mother, Mrs. Alice Sherman. Other house guests of Mrs. Sherman and her mother, Mrs. G. W. Oliver for the holidays are Mre. E. B. Wojtunik, Mrs. Harold Sullivan, and Mr. and Mrs. John Segraves and daughter, Miss Mary Jane Segraves.

Arthur Gregory arrived Tuesday from Riverside Military Academy at Gainesville, Ga., to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Sue Gregory.

LT. ALLEN RETURNS HOME FROM OVERSEAS

First Lt. Merle F. Allen, P-51 fighter pilot, has returned to the states from six months overseas in the European theater of operations. He has the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters, and is credited two German planes. He will report to Miami for reassignment after his leave here with his wife, and parents, Major and Mrs. Merle F. ALLEN.

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Cardui is a liquid medicine which many women say has brought relief from the cramp-like agony and nervous strain of functional periodic distress. Here's how it may help:

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ENGELMANN HATCHERY

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harris and daughters, Roberta and Nancy will spend Christmas day in Orlando with Mrs. Harris' mother, Mrs. Mabel Carpenter and her grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Atkins.

Cadet Ricky Spatz arrived Thursday night from The Bolles School at Jacksonville, and will be here for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spatz.

Miss Ruby Pate arrived last week end from FSCW, Tallahassee to spend the holidays here at her home.

CLASSIFIED ADS

SMALL COST BIG RESULTS

WANTED TO BUY — Electric iron. Call 59 W, Avon Park, Dec. 15, 22.

FOR SALE — Practically new 22 ft. American trailer. Bert Turner, 23 north Highlands Avenue. Dec. 15, 22p.

FOR SALE — Property consisting of five furnished apartments. See R. I. Harris.

WANTED — Two Experienced Pruners and General Grove hands.. Good 6 room plastered house and 2 acres of ground, also new 3 room house on Frostproof grove, furnished with these jobs. Permanent job for reliable family men. Must have good references. P. C. Morrell, Phone 173, Avon Park. Dec. 22-29.

FOR SALE — Starr piano, good condition, $100. Also slightly used chicken wire. B. T. Crosby, 121 E. Walnut st. 1t.

AM INTERESTED IN — Good used living room furniture, and pre-war twin or double beds. Call Sun office or write Box 267. 1tc.

FOR SALE — Eight room house, large lot and fruit trees. 1027 West Pine street. P. O. Box 123. Dec. 8, 15. 1tc.

LOST — Small navy blue change purse containing two important keys. Reward. Return to Mrs. Horace Bryant, phone 286 W. 1tp.

FOR SALE — Girl's bicycle, pre-war tires. Needs minor repairs. $10.00. 210 Cornell Street. 1tp.

LOST — Number four ration book Friday afternoon. Return to Albert Garrett, Box 235. 1tc.

FOR SALE — One story frame house, 5 r & b, lot 75' x 135'. Price reasonable. M. Vogt. P. O. Box 753. Dec. 22, 29.

FOR SALE — Child's metal car five feet long. Good condition. Lady's yellow gold 18 jewel Benrus wrist watch. Baby buggy and metal crib. 29 East State St. 1tp.

FOR SALE — Good milch cow. Fresh. Mrs. C. L. DeWitt. 9 South Glenwood. 1tp.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA,
IN PROBATE.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In re: Estate of
JOHN SEARS FRANCIS,
Deceased.

TO ALL CREDITOR'S AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You and each of you are hereby notified and required to present any claims and demands which you, or either of you, may have against the estate of John Sears Francis, deceased, late of said County, to the County Judge of Highlands County, Florida, at his office in the court house of said County at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from the time of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand shall be in writing, and shall state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, and shall be sworn to by the claimant, agent, or attorney, and any such claim or demand not so filed shall be void.

HORTENCE REESE AUSLEY.
E. G. TODD.
OTIS C. WILKES
As executors of the Last Will and Testament of John Sears Francis, deceased.
First Publication December 15, 1944.
Dec. 15, 22, 29, Jan. 5.

CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
(IN CHANCERY)
LULU H. ABLE,
Plaintiff
vs
SARAH E. FOSTER AND HARRY S. FOSTER, INDIVIDUALLY, SARAH E. FOSTER, HARRY S. FOSTER, and NINTH BANK AND TRUST COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, AS EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES UNDER THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF HARRY FOSTER, DECEASED.
Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a final decree issuing out of the above entitled cause in the above styled Court, I, W. L. Long, Special Master, appointed by the Court for that purpose, will sell at public outcry at the front door of the Court House, Sebring, Highlands County, Florida, at eleven o'clock a. m. January 1, 1945, the same being a Rule Day, the following described property:

Lot 5, Block 75 Lake Lillian Subdivision, Highland Lakes, Section 9 Township 33 South Range 28 East, Highlands County, Florida. (see Plat Book 2 page 77)

The same to be sold to the highest and best bidder for cash.

Dated this 22 December 1944.,
W. L. LONG,
Special Master
S. COLQUITT PARDEE,
Solicitor for Plaintiff,
Betts Building,
Avon Park, Fla.
Dec., 22, 29.

At this season we should all subject ourselves to re-examination, to see if good fellowship and kindness still survive as a practical combination to bring happiness to the human heart. Each of us holds in his hands the key to this combination. Let us use it during this Christmas season of 1944, to help transform dreams into realities.

May we add our glad Christmas greetings to the many which are finding their way to you?

Hall's Dry Cleaners

PINE CREST LAKES CLUB

Gala Opening

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Special Holiday Dinner
Served from 1:00 to 3:00 P. M.
Evening — 6:30 to 9:00

Open House All Day New Years
For any who would like to see the Club and be guests of the management.

18 Hole Golf Course
Jack Patroni, Pro. John Lombardy, Asst. Pro.

For Reservations, Phone 208
KENNETH ARNOLD, Manager

"TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY"

(BY RUSSELL KAY)

Each year the County Commissioners of Collier County make an annual report which is addressed to the "stockholders" — the purpose of such an appeal is to make the citizens and taxpayers of Collier realize that they have a direct interest in county affairs and it is mighty good psychology to my way of thinking.

Too often the people come to think of the county court house as something distinct and apart from themselves. — They refer to the commissioners or other officials as "They." — Time and again you hear some citizen telling another that "they are going to raise the millage" or " 'they' are going to do something else." — They forget that it is THEIR OWN BUSINESS THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT. — Progress and success can only be assured when the taxpayers think and act in terms of "WE" and "OURS."

Last year's report of the Collier County Commission attracted widespread attention and praise. It showed tax collections at 99.9 per cent, which would seem to be about all that anyone could hope for.

But this year even beats that amazing record with tax collections reported at 100 percent, "100 percent for 21 years" exults the report, "for 21 years" — which goes back to the time the county was organized in 1923.

That, as the Tampa Tribune commented the other day after examining the report, is super-perfect. However, it had to be to keep Collier County out in front. Since the tax collection laws of the Holland administration were passed a number of other counties have been establishing remarkable records for tax collection. Some have even reached the 99 percent for recent years.

But that is not the only thing the Collier County report points to with pride, Even before current taxes become due on November 1, receipts had been issued for 54 percent of this year's taxes. That, however, is an old custom in Collier County. Property owners not only pay their taxes in advance but usually have it all paid by the time the November discount period ends.

Since the Holland laws, which require Tallahassee approval of levies rising previous millage, tax increases in Florida have been held to a minimum, the rates being virtually frozen. But Collier County managed to thaw them out a little, on the down side. It was'nt, a reduction of only 1.1 percent. Ordinarily county boards wouldn't bother to pass such a small advantage on to the taxpayers on the theory that if they didn't get an increase they ought to be happy and that any surplus in the treasury could easily be spent.

In Collier County it isn't being spent. The report shows that a substantial part of the cash reserve is being carried in war bonds of which the county holds $52,000 at 2¼ percent interest. These are of a series that can be readily cashed and the board figures that by the time the money is needed next summer, the investment will have earned $1,000.

In this connection the report permits itself a shudder "when we consider the question of how the U. S. Treasury will manage to pay the interest on a national debt of some 200 billion dollars," however, the board anounces that it "hopes for the best" and promises to "exert our utmost to keep taxes in Collier County — the only taxes we control — cut to the bone."

Noting a "gratifying response" to previous annual statements, the board reports that it has "adopted suggestions to the effect that we should undertake a bit of education among taxing authorities in other counties of the State."

'We are proud" says the report, 'of what we have been able to accomplish for the county by reducing the heavy load of taxation but we fully realize that after all our work has been 'primary school' merely and that it will be necessary for the stockholders to pool their brains with thousands of others and do the job in 'university' fashion."

"Now all our neighbors' chimneys smoke,
And Christmas blocks are burning;
Their ovens they with baked-meat choke,
And all their spits are turning.
Without the door let sorrow lye;
And if for cold it hap to die
We'll bury it in Christmas pie,
And evermore be merry."

These 17th century verses typify the old-time Christmas spirit we wish for you this Yule season of 1944.

B-26 Cafeteria

R. I. HARRIS

REAL ESTATE BROKER

Office in Brickell Bldg.

LISTINGS SOLICITED

Keeping On The Go With The USO

The USO Club is having a banner month in every way, especially shown by increased daily attendance which the new programs are attracting. An interesting item on the past month's list was the Cinderella Dance, held December 12. A pair of dandy ladies shoes were tried on the various Junior Dance hostesses, and the one whose dainty feet fit the shoes was the lucky one to receive them and be the Cinderella for the evening. The Cinderella for December 12 was Miss Ortella Bowden, of Frostproof.

The Christmas program is expected to bring many of the service men and their wives into the club with an interesting program offered. Christmas Eve the regular Sunday night Bingo will be held with the Long Distance Telephone call home, and the War Stamps as regular prizes, but in addition to this there will be a number of other good prizes. Santa Claus will arrive at 8:30 with a gift package for everyone in the building at the time. Persons wishing to have Santa distribute individual prizes are requested to leave them at the club before that time. Refreshment hour from 9:30 with coffee and cake.

And lest we forget, we want to thank sincerely the following good ladies for having made delicious cakes for our Coffee and Cake program thus far for December: Mrs. Earl Ware, Miss Anne Palmer, Mrs. Elizabeth McGinnis, Mrs. Paul Rumpsa, Mrs. C. Feary, Mrs. M. J. Heyman, Mrs. Joseph Volkitis and Mrs. W. J. Heim. After the eating there will be singing in the lounge of favorite Xmas Carols.

Christmas Day opens with an after Church coffee and doughnut session from 10:30 to 12:30. Plenty of candies, cakes and fruits will be available throughout the club rooms for occasional snacks for the Xmas celebrators. Special games with prizes will be played in the lounge at 8:00 and for the movie goers at 8:30 'Stage Door Canteen" will be cast on the Screen.

To round off Christmas celebrations a Formal Dance will be held Tuesday evening December 26. Senior hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. H. C. Worden, Miss Verna Heim, Mrs. Park Anderson, Mrs. R. Porterfield, Mrs. Ralph Herring, Mrs. W. J. Head, and Mrs. James Johnson.

May the USO Club and Staff take this occasion to wish every one a very, very Merry Christmas, and to thank all for their kind generosity throughout the past year.

Lt Saks Attends Training Pow-wow

CAMP BLANDING, FLA. — A training program for civilian employees of military posts, slated to turn unskilled workers into skilled, competitent employees, was mapped for officers and civilian chiefs of Florida and Georgia Army installations at a three-day conference at Camp Blanding December 6 to 8. Lt Walter R. Saks, quartermaster warehouse officer, represented APAAF.

Maintenance shops officers, superintendents and foremen and production control officers attended from Camp Gordon Johnston, Fort Barrancas, the Hiahleah Ordnance Maintenance Shops, Buckingham Field, Drew Field, MacDill Field, Morrisson Field, Tyndall Field, Dale Mabry Field, Ordnance Shops at Sebring, all in Florida, and the shops at Spence Field, Camp Wheeler, Moody Field and Ft. Benning, Ga., and Brookley Field and Fort McClellan, Ala.

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See MARGARETHA VOGT
Sun Court Building
AVON PARK, FLORIDA

RENT COLLECTION
NOTARY PUBLIC

BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

LOADS OF HAPPINESS TO YOU!

Christmas of 1944 is going to be a BIG Christmas. See if we aren't right.

May YOUR Christmas be bounteous and full of good cheer, and may our greeting and best wishes add just a little to your pleasure this Yuletide.

Table Supply Grocery

L. M. Leach W. R. Russ
AVON PARK, FLORIDA

There is something in the very season of the year that gives charm to the festivity of Christmas. —WASHINGTON IRVING

☆ Whether Christmas be white or green, we hope it will be full of charm for you and yours, with an abundance of all the good things that are part of happy Yuletide . . .

The Barnett Bank of Avon Park

Avon Park, Florida

Merry Christmas!

Noel! Noel!

While ageless Christmas carols fill the air this thought comes to mind. We would like to share with you our Yuletide happiness, and to feel that in this year of grace, 1944, Christmas will mean more to you than it has meant for many years past.

Waters' Taxi

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FROM US TO YOU!

† † Dusk . . . Christmas Eve . . . children moving about stealthily, wide-eyed and expectant . . . you know the signs.

Christmas is here, let us all be merry, for it comes but once a year.

With gratitude for your kind favors during 1944 we send you heartiest Christmas greetings.

Roscoe Skipper, Inc.

CHRISTMAS Greetings 1944

IN THESE
LAST
SHORT
DAYS
OF 1944

when beaming faces tell that Christmas is very, very near, we are reminded again of the supreme value of friendship. He who has no friends, though he may have amassed a fortune, cannot be happy.

We have many friends in this area—friends from many years back as well as friends who have become friends during this past year. These friendships are a great source of pride and happiness to us.

To all these friends we wish a very Merry Christmas Season.

I. H. FORD
MOTOR COMPANY

SANTA CLAUS IS
COMING TO TOWN!

Merry Christmas

We've got it on good authority that this town is among the first along Santa Claus' route, and that he's scheduled to make a long stop here!

We hope that "Santa Claus will be good to you," and that this holiday time will be one of exceptional joy and happiness to you and your family.

Smith Hardware Co.

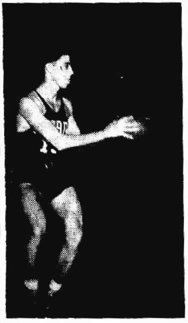
Merry Christmas 1944

WE THANK YOU

All during 1944 we have been storing up our gratitude to the people of this community, as they have come in day after day. Now that Christmas is here it is time to make delivery. So here it comes . . . our gratitude to you in one great big wish for a big, happy, merry Christmas.

F. S. Jordon & Son

A-P vs AAFTAC; League Standings Are Released; Jay Fliers Lose To AP 43-40



CAPER CUTTER — Even Florida style! Capt Bob Jennings, above, who starred in basketball at Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., is playing a lot of good basketball for APAAF's cage team. He is one of the best rebounders in the business according to cage experts.

(From High Score)

A Florida West Coast conference basketball game last night in Bartow and a non-conference affair tonight here with Orlando AAFTAC tops the APAAF hoop program this week.

Results of the Bartow-AAF contest were unabailable as High Score was put to bed last night so details will be published next week.

The maroon-clad APAAF quintet will enter the Bartow contest as the underdogs. Bartow is in a six-way tie for first place in the conference by virtue of a four-point win over Punta Gorda, 54-50, who topped APAAF 58-56, and a swamping victory, 66-44, over Buckingham. Their only loss was handed them by Venice 56-43.

Sparkplugs of the Bartow five are Cpl Bob Monti, guard, and Lt Ralph Steele, speedy forward. According to advance dope the Bartow club is well balanced, fast and they play a fine brand of basketball.

The Fognano-Kempner aggregation is steadily improving with age — like good whiskey! They need this ball game to bring their league standing up to a .500 percentage.

In the pre-Christmas tussle with Orlando, the club that swamped APAAF 62-35 early this season, the AP cagers hope to get revenge.

AAFTAC's team averaged over six foot two inches and play is centered around their six foot seven inch center, Bill Stephens. Other stars on the club are Lt Norman Goodney, forward, and Larry Jorgensen, University of Oregon star cager. Goodney's cage experience dates back to college days at Northern Michigan State Teacher's College.

The Avon Park quintet will face another real test next Thursday night when they go to Pinellas AAF for a conference struggle. Lakeland will take the floor here January 3, in the next home game.

Tied for Second Place

Avon Park's basketball quintet stands in a tie for second place in the Florida West Coast Basketball conference. Six teams are tied for top honors, according to standings released Wednesday. Sarasota, Lakeland, Pinellas, Venice, Punta Gorda nd Bartow have won two and lost one contest for a .677 percentage.

Results show that all teams got off to a slippery start and the race will undoubtedly be a hotly contested affair. APAAF's five is fast improving and hopes are that they will soon be on the top rung of the conference ladder.

Official standings are:

Team	Won	Lost	Perc't
Sarasota	2	1	.677
Lakeland	2	1	.677
Pinellas	2	1	.677
Venice	2	1	.677
Punta Gorda	2	1	.677
Bartow	2	1	.677
Buckingham	1	2	.333
Avon Park	1	2	.333
Hendricks	1	2	.333
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League scores to date are:

DECEMBER 6

Sarasota 36, APAAF 34

DECEMBER 7

Page 36, Punta Gorda 42
Lakeland 37, Buckingham 36
Pinellas 27, Hendricks 30
Bartow 43, Venice 56

DECEMBER 12

Buckingham 51, Venice 44
APAAF 46, Page 34
Hendricks 35, Lakeland 39
Pinellas 41, Sarasota 40
Punta Gorda 50, Bartow 54

DECEMBER 13

Punta Gorda 58, APAAF 56

DECEMBER 14

Venice 43, Hendricks 31
Page 19, Pinellas 68
Lakeland 49, Sarasota 72
Bartow 66, Buckingham 44

Unofficial returns show Lt Stanley Waxman, Pinellas AAF, former Long Island University star, leading the individual scoring race with 64 tallies. The high scoring Pinellas forward holds the record so far in individual scoring in one game when he dropped 27 points through the hoop against Page Field.

Pvt Tom Donahue, APAAF's scoring ace, has accounted for 45 counters in three conference tussles.

Win From Jay Fliers

Coach Herb Kempner's basketball charges notched another win on their stick Monday night when they nipped the Jay Fliers by a 43-40 count. The Fliers' five whipped the APAAF cagers in the opening contest of the season, 36-29.

The maroon clad stars are steadily improving their basketball technique and are fast showing mid-season form. Matty Leo, switched from guard to forward, led the offensive attack with 12 counters, followed by Fisher, center, with 10 and Lollis, flashy guard, with nine tallies.

Halftime score was APAAF 23, Jay Fliers 19.

Box score follows:

JAY FLIERS — 40	FG	FT	TP
West, f	2	1	5
Belcher, f	0	2	2
Hamlin, f	2	0	4
Nighwronger, c	4	1	9
Sponseller, g	2	3	7
Robertson, g	4	1	9
Holden, g	2	0	4
Totals	16	8	40

APAAF — 43	FG	FT	TP
Leo,f	5	2	12
Dames,f	0	0	0
Donahue, f	2	0	4
Biar, f	0	0	0
Fisher, c	5	0	10
Bube, g	3	0	6
Lollis, g	4	1	9
Totals	19	5	43

Referee: Huntington

Christmas Cheer to All!

★ Holly and mistletoe, soft lights and Christmas trees, gifts that mean an outpouring of the spirit. Santa Claus is coming!

With gratitude for your continued friendship we pause during this busy Christmas season of 1944 to wish you the happiest Christmas of them all.

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Shoppe

Christmas
Greetings
1944

CHRISTMAS AGAIN!

Who will say that smiles were brighter or spirits keener at the Christmases of our fathers than they are today?

At any rate, friends and neighbors, that's the kind of a Christmas we are wishing for you this Yuletide of 1944—just a good old-fashioned Christmas!

Avon Park Cafe
Gus H. Carratt
We Close All Day Christmas

Merry Christmas
1944

WE HOPE old Santa will not forget you this Christmas of 1944, but that he will cram that stocking so full it can hold no more.

Good cheer, good fellowship, and Merry Christmas to you all!

GOOD WILL

Sellers' Department Store

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way,
O! what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open shay!

We have much to be thankful for this Christmas, and we want to express our thanks to you.

May this Christmas season of 1944 be an especially happy one for you.

B & B Cash Grocery
F. E. John *J. C. Davis*

Merry Christmas
1944

AS WE APPROACH the beloved anniversary of a great Event we are reminded again of the many Christmas seasons we have seen come and go. Time has changed everything except friendship.

We are proud of the fact that we number among our customers many of the town's "oldest inhabitants"—friends who have become dearer to us with the passing years.

Once again we say Merry Christmas to all.

TOUCHTON
DRUG CO.

Editor Huie Leaves Staff of High Score

(From High Score)

Gone, but not forgotten, is the late, great Cpl Robert M. Huie, an assistant editor of High Score and APAAF character. He has deserted the pen for a wrench — as he soon will be a full-fledged airplane mechanic. Bob left APAAF Monday for Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., to attend AM school.

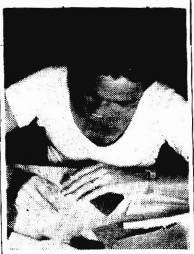
During his sojourn here — approximately 13 months — Cpl Huie became well acquainted with AP personnel. His excellent personality, which he developed to a science in the insurance game, made him no end of friends here.

A character with many monickers, 'Jig-Jig" will be sadly missed by High Score's staff and army associates. He wrote with a peculiar southern twang using many of his favorite idioms.

Bob is a native of Atlanta, a former super-salesman and special agent for Hartford Accident and Idemnity Insurance Company.

Mrs. Huie, who formerly was employed in the AC Supply purchasing department, was here until December 1.

The vacancy on the High Score staff has been filled by Pfc Dan Maher, who has been alternating with Cpl Huie as assistant editor.



Ex-Editor Bob Huie

Buy 'em and Keep 'em WAR BONDS

Merry Christmas 1944

LOYALTY works both ways. You have been loyal to us, and we are loyal to you.

To you, our friends, who have so helped us to make 1944 successful, we send the friendliest of

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Western Auto Associate Store

Bandsman of the Week

High Score's Christmas edition bandsman is the Elk City, Oklahoma kid — Cpl Gene H. (for Howard) Midyett (pronounced midyet). Gene heads the 740th's Co-Pilots dance ork, a musical aggregation of regular bandsmen who play dance dates at APAAF and nearby stations. Gene wants it known that this is definitely not a "jam band." It's strictly on-the-level good, solid jive, he says. And who should know better than Gene. He's been a solid scale man since the early age of seven, and has had an orchestra of his own.

When reaching the tender seventh, his family decided he'd best settle down to a career of music. The family had always been musically inclined and Gene, the opined, might just as well follow suit.

So a teacher took him in hand, one that Gene couldn't ditch very easily. Other guys might ditch a music lesson now and then, but not Midyett. His mother was his teacher! When his fingers became nimble with the ivories, his folks gave him a piano accordian.

This training continued through grade school. When he entered high school, Gene started playing the clarinet and also took over duties of drum major. The climax of high school graduation was a scholarship to Oklahoma City University.

He entered the university early in 1940, and with his major as a music student, his interest naturally centered in the concert band, symphony orchestra, dance band, composing, arranging and the a capella choir. He even taught at the Crusader's Band School, an affiliate of the university, while going through school.

He studied clarinet under Oakley Pittman, and brass under James Neilson. Both men are well known musicians.

Cpl Midyett also treasures a rejected piece of music. He submitted it to Glen Miller, popular dance orchestra leader. Miller wrote him a long letter in rejecting the song. That was Gene's first and last attempt to sell popular songs.

The university a capella choir travelled to Chicago for a radio show which was broadcast over the National Broadcasting System. He also went with the choir on tour through middle west states and to New Orleans. There he sang in the cathedral during the 1941 Madri Gras, the last for the duration of the war.

Gene was a member of the university dance band and later organized his own. He played locally in Oklahoma City for one year. Then his big Uncle Sam wrote and said he'd like him to come for a visit. That was 1943. Gene had completed three and a half years of school.

A member of the enlisted reserve, the 20 year old musician was inducted at Ft Sill in May and received basic at Jefferson Barracks, St Louis, Mo. Before he could get an assignment to an Army band, the Army shipped him off to ASTP, the ill-fated Army Specialized Training Program. When that folded he returned to J. B. and was put in clerical work.

The following September he was transferred to APAAF. Today, when he isn't practicing or playing with the concert band or Co-Pilots dance ork, the big, strapping Oklahoman — he's six foot three and one half — is arranging music. This is the only musical work in which he makes use of his piano larnin'.

Cpl Gene H. Midyett
. . . Tall Man, Thin Horn

Sqdns A, T, D Win In Interfield League

Three games highlighted this weeks' play in the APAAF Interfield Basketball league. Sqdn D forfeited a scheduled contest to Sqdn T cagers.

Sqdn A's basketball quintet downed the pill pushing Medics of Sqdn H. 21-16 in a game last Thursday night. Sqdn A's guard Wilson led the point makers with 10 tallies. Half time score stood 10-9 in favor of the Sqdn A five.

Two games were played Wednesday night in the APAAF gym. Sqdn T came from behind to nip a fast CNT quintet 36-34 and Sqdn D eked out a four point victory, 27-24, over the Sqdn H cagers.

Matty Leo, Sqdn T forward, led his team's scoring attack with five field goals for 10 counters. CNT's center, Dames, put the punch in the CNT offensive with four buckets and a pair of free tosses for 10 tallies. Tom Donahue and R. S. Fisher were right behind with nine and eight points respectively. Scoreboard at the half read: CNT 29, Sqdn T 9!

BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS —SAVE FOR THE FUTURE.

1944

Christmas GREETINGS

THE nearness of Yuletide is unmistakable. Whether snow festoons the fir trees or whether earth still awaits its mantle of white, woods and fields, city and town breathe Christmas and its spirit of kindness.

We sincerely hope that the Christmas season of 1944 will be richer for you, fuller, and more satisfying than for many a year, and thank you for twelve months of very pleasant relations.

Stewarts Men's Shop

Greetings 1944

Christmas trees are again gleaming in the windows!

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Just about time for us to be thinking of how much we are indebted to you.

And just about time for us to call upon two little words that carry more cheer and good will than all the big words that have ever been coined—

Merry Christmas

E. W. HARTT INSURANCE

HOLY NIGHT SILENT NIGHT 1944

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

★ The message of good will that emanated from Bethlehem 2,000 years ago not only transforms the world at Christmas but is the foundation of every honest transaction. We depend upon your good will; you depend upon ours.

Your good will has been a priceless asset to us during 1944 and other years. We thank you for the confidence you have placed in us and wish you the manifold blessings of a happy Yuletide.

Townsend Sash, Door & Lumber Co.

C. B. CANNON, MANAGER

CHRISTMAS Greetings 1944

Turkey and cranberry sauce and plum pudding are symbols of the lighter side of Christmas. We want you to have these, too, this Yule season of 1944, plus all the other joys that give Christmastime its transcendent glory.

We welcome this opportunity to extend to each and all our heartiest greetings.

Jacaranda Hotel
Jacaranda Coffee Shop

GREETINGS

1944

MAY the blessings of God be with you, our friends, and with all of us ... in our souls and upon our hearths. We can offer no more gracious greeting this Yuletide.

A Merry Christmas

Wells Motor Company
Ray's Firestone Store

Merry Christmas 1944

"... and on earth peace, good will towards men."

And to each of you who read this message that enraptured happiness which comes only at CHRISTMASTIME

SAPPINGTON HARDWARE and FURNITURE CO.

ALL the good old fashioned spirit of the season is expressed in this hearty MERRY CHRISTMAS.

You've been the best of friends to us in 1944 and here's wishing for you the very best!

RAGSDALE'S

There's a joy in the heart
That sets Christmas apart,
To make it a day of all days.
And may its true peace
And good will never cease
To bless you in manifold ways.

Jacaranda Beauty Shoppe

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WHAT stauncher tree than the oak, and what stauncher friends than ours? Each year at Christmastime we realize more keenly than ever that our success in this community is deeply rooted in the firm soil of friendship. We cannot tell you in so many words how much these friendly associations mean to us, and how we cherish them. But we know you will understand.

In this spirit of appreciation we send our sincere good Christmas wishes to you and to all those dear to you.

W. C. BECKETT
Photographer
Avon Park, Fla.

Church Notes

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

W. Main St.
Rev. V. C. Mulkin, Pastor

Sunday Bible School 10 A. M.
D. O. Evers, Supt.

Morning Worship Service 11 A. M. Subject: "That Wonderful Name."

Young People's Service 6:45 P. M.

Juniors' Service 6:45 P. M.

Evangelistic Service 7:30 P. M. Subject: 'Christ's Poverty Making Many Rich."

A cordial invitation extended to all.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Sunday Worship 11:00 A. M.

Special Christmas music.

Sermon: "And This Shall Be a Sign."

The Special Christmas services will begin at Union Congregational Church Saturday evening, December 23 at 7:30. Mr. J. Paul Garber, superintendent of the Sunday School has arranged a program of interest for the annual Sunday School party.

Special music has been arranged for the regular worship Sunday morning. The service will begin with special Christmas organ music. The choir will sing two anthems: "Gesu Bambino" by Pietro A. Yon, and 'Away in a Manger" by Heyser. Visitors are welcomed to these services.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

M. E. Myer, Pastor

Church School 9:45 A. M.
Mr. Earl Ware, Supt.

Missionary Emphasis Day. Offering in the Church School will be applied on World Service.

Morning Worship 10:55 P. M. Christmas sermon by the pastor. Appropriate music will be rendered by the choir under the direction of Mrs. B. R. Grote. Mrs. G. B. Hall, organist, will play special Christmas music for the prelude and offertory.

The Senior and Intermediate Fellowship will meet at 7:15 P. M.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA SUNDAY EVENING

At 8 p. m. Mrs. B. R. Grote will direct the choir in the three-part treble Cantata 'Carols of Christmas" by Ellen Jane Lorenz. Soloists participating in the Cantata are Mrs. Lois Wyckoff, Mrs. Clair Wells, Mrs. B. R. Grote, Miss Bessie Lou Myer. The Misses Gloria and Dorothy Hughs will have duet parts in the program. An evening of enjoyable Christmas music is assured all who come.

Wednesday night 7:30

Prayer meeting will be led by Sergeant Jay Buxton of the AP AAF.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. E. H. Puryear, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Training Union 6:45 P. M.

Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday, Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

Saturday Servicemen Fellowship hour 7:30 P. M.

THE CHURCH OF GOD

S. Verona Ave
Rev. W. O. Crews, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Sunday Evening Service 8:00 P. M.

Tuesday Prayer Service 8:15 P. M.

Thursday Young People's Service 8:15 P. M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Paul D. Murphy, Minister
Sunday Services:

Bible study 10:00 A. M.

Preaching and Communion 11:00 A. M.

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

Preaching service 8:00 P. M.

THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (EPISCOPAL)

Rev. John Ellis Daley, Rector

Services Sunday

7:30 A. M. Holy Communion.

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

Week Days

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

SERVICE AT WHITE CITY CAMP

Hear Rev. Leroy Fuller of Tampa, Florida at White City Camp Sunday afternoon at 3:45. Special invitation to service men and wives.

Rev. J. E. Armstrong, Pastor.

AVON PARK ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

West Tulane Circle
Rev. W. H. Magee, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00

Children's Church 3:00 P. M.

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

Evening Service 8:00 P. M.

Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 P. M.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

House Bill No. 1862

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Jas. C. Haines, 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. 1502
Year of Issuance 1930
Description of Property NE¼ of Section 14, Township 39 South, Range 29 East, 160 Acres.
Name in which assessed Annie L. Hathaway.

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 January, 1945, which is the 1st day of January, 1945.

Dated this 1st day of December 1944.

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

Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

IN THE COURT OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY FLORIDA

IN RE: ESTATE OF
GEORGE A. WARREN,
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL CREDITORS AND PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST SAID ESTATE:

You, and each of you, are hereby notified to file all claims and demands which you have against the estate of George A. Warren, deceased, in the office of T. A. McNicholas, County Judge, at his office in the Court House at Sebring, Florida, within eight calendar months from December 1st, 1944, which is the date of the first publication of this notice. Each claim or demand must be in writing, must state the place of residence and post office address of the claimant, must be sworn to and must be filed as aforesaid, or else same will become void.

THE WASHINGTON LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY
By W. H. BADEN, Vice-President, As Executor of the Last Will and Testament of George A. Warren Deceased.

JUDSON & WILLSON
Attorneys-at-Law
Bartow, Florida.
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22.

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.

INSIGNIA XMAS CARD—APAAF's official 325th Base Unit insignia has been printed in a Christmas card design and is now on sale at the Main Exchange. Reproduced in full color, the insignia is embellished with glass beading. Red flock is used for the word 'Greetings." A holiday message and short explanation of the insignia is printed in blue on the inside pages of the card. The emblem was designed by S/Sgt Russ Farwell of Squadron A.

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Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!
Christmas in lands of the fir-tree and pine,
Christmas in lands of the palm-tree and vine;
Christmas where snow-peaks stand solemn and white,
Christmas where corn-fields lie sunny and bright."
—Phillip Brooks.

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HARDEN'S TAXI
Phone 1

★At Christmas perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time out to pay homage to the beautiful myth of Santa Claus.

★And at Christmas the members of this organization realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you all a most Merry Christmas.

Lonice Beauty Shoppe

GOOD CHEER! There's nothing quite like it. And good cheer is an affair of the heart. It cannot be withheld and hoarded to gain added value with the days or years. Good cheer must be *spent!*

Let us all radiate good cheer this Christmas of 1944, for there are reasons enough for good cheer if we but pause to reflect.

Merry Christmas greetings from all of us to all of you.

S. S. Thayer's Jacaranda Drug Co.
Phone 215

Hearty and cheery
And happy and true,
An ever so fervent
Merry Christmas to
you!

Wolf's Store

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Along With the News

EVER THAT SAME STAR

★The wise men saw it over the hills of old Judea . . . it glows in the Christmas sky tonight, though clouds may obscure the heavens. It is a beacon of hope in a world in which there is ever so much room for improvement. Its spirit travels around this earth, encouraging, sustaining, and beautifying.

Our Christmas greeting to every man, woman and child in this community . . . a greeting as warm and hearty—we hope—as if it were made to each in person with a friendly smile and a shake of the hand.

Merry Christmas!

Avon Park Citrus Growers Association