

Italian Attack On Tunisia Is Repulsed

French Soldiers Resist Attempt Of Duce's Troops To Penetrate Border

Terrorists Are Sought By Japs

Japan Considers Plan To Police International Settlement

Strained French-Italian relations... today as a persistent report from North Africa said 84 men had been killed in a clash between the troops of the two powers, already at odds over Spain, one of Europe's most troubled issues.

At the same time, Premier Mussolini in a telegram to Nationalist Generalissimo Franco reiterated his determination to keep Italian troops in Spain until a "final victory" is won.

Both diplomatic and private quarters in Paris received reports from French Tunisia that fighting between French and Italian troops occurred last Friday. An Italian force in Libya was said to have been repulsed after penetrating French territory about 25 miles southeast of the fortifications around Ben Gardane.

Casualties were placed at 80 Italians and four Frenchmen killed. About 200 persons were arrested by Japanese in Shanghai during raids on opium and gambling resorts in the Japanese-occupied territory.

Raiders sought suspects in the recent wave of assassinations and other crimes.

A foreign office spokesman in Tokyo indicated Japan was considering a new plan for policing Shanghai's international settlement because of the increasing anti-Japanese terrorism.

Andrews' Secretary Replaces Dill As Head Of State WPA

Roy Schroder, of Miami, secretary to Senator Charles O. Andrews, was named yesterday as WPA administrator for Florida.

Appointment of Schroder was announced at Washington by Col. F. C. Harrington, national head of the WPA, who said numerous organizations had joined Senators Andrews and Pepper in endorsing him and in pledging support for "strictly non-political administration of the WPA in Florida."

Schroder will succeed R. J. Dill, whose retirement from the top job was announced Saturday. During the senatorial campaign last spring opponents of Senator Pepper charged repeatedly on the stump that the WPA had been extremely active in his behalf.

Under the new set-up the secretary of Senator Andrews, who comes up for re-election next Spring, will be the WPA boss. Schroder will take over his new duties March 1. He has been in Senator Andrews' office since the latter was elected several years ago and prior to that service was field representative in Florida for the Federal Housing Administration. For some years he operated an advertising and publicity establishment at Orlando.

No statement has been made as to what work Dill will take up. Reports last week indicated he would accept a government job at Washington.

James J. Wilson is temporarily in charge of WPA affairs in this state. There was no intimation at Washington or Jacksonville yesterday as to changes in the state organization. Reports have been persistent, however, that a shake-up is likely.

COURT ABANDONED
WHITLAND, Wis.—(P)—January sitting of Whitland Police Court had to be abandoned for lack of magistrates after five were unable to appear for varying reasons.

RETURNED SAFELY



Golden haired Anne Louise Sweitzer, 8-year-old daughter of Ralph Sweitzer of Pasadena, Calif., right, who was returned to her home yesterday after a two-day disappearance. Her father had to be restrained from attacking her abductor, Townsend Davis, left, who confessed he made two attempts to attack the child during their stay at a tourist camp in India, Calif.

Local Townsend Supporters Are Given Invitation

Plan Given More Respectful Hearing, Founder Declares

Local supporters of the Townsend movement were extended an invitation today to hear an address of Dr. Francis E. Townsend in Orlando on Sunday, Feb. 26.

The veteran advocate of the revolving pension and the author of the General Welfare Act which is now before Congress for consideration, will be the principal speaker at a meeting in his honor in the Orlando Coliseum on North Orange Avenue at 2:00 P. M., according to J. L. Spaulding, president of the Orlando Club, who will introduce Dr. Townsend.

TAMPA, Feb. 22.—Dr. Francis E. Townsend told 3000 cheering followers here last night that his old age pension plan is getting a more respectful hearing from congressmen this year than ever before and the fight will continue until it is put into law.

The tall, spare doctor, whose name carries the hope of \$200 a month for several million people came here from Lisbon Park to address a rally at the municipal auditorium.

Speaking in precise, scholarly words, Dr. Townsend slammed at the WPA, called for repeal of the social security act under which oldsters may now draw up to \$30 in state and federal pensions, and prophesied the downfall of both Democratic and Republican parties "if they don't mend their ways."

Dr. Townsend said the House ways and means committee, now considering the Townsend bill, is giving its proponents a better reception than last year.

"We have been treated so differently at this session of congress," he said. "I don't know whether they have had a change of heart, or whether they have heard some disturbing news from back home."

"They seem to be trying to be fair. Oh, we get a dig now and then, but nothing vicious like last year. The committee is somewhat apathetic, however. Some..."

Townsend Club Meet Scheduled Thursday
Plans have been completed for added features of the regular Townsend Club meeting to be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Sanford Women's Club building on Oak Avenue.

Citrus Market Pact Becomes Effective Today

Hope Of Canners For Co-operative Contracts Shattered

LAKELAND, Feb. 22.—(P)—The federal citrus marketing agreement became effective for Florida today but its operation awaited the selection of committees which will recommend that regulation of interstate shipment is to be exercised.

The agreement provides for a control committee of growers to fix grade and size regulations but no provision is made for a volume regulation.

Shippers have been called by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration to meet here Friday to make nominations for the shippers' committee which will make recommendations for regulation to the control committee.

Growers will meet soon to make their nominations. Secretary Wallace will select committees from the industry nominations.

WINTER HAVEN, Feb. 22.—(P)—Hopes of the Florida Citrus Exchange and certain canneries for approval of contracts which would allow them to can grapefruit on a cooperative basis were shattered last night when J. J. Taylor, State chemist, disapproved the proposed setup.

The disapproval came after Taylor had conferred for three hours with attorneys representing the Florida Citrus Commission, the Exchange, citrus inspection bureau and the Florida Canners Association.

Taylor said that it would be impossible, in face of the string of provisions of the growers' cost guarantee law, to approve any agreement that did not unconditionally guarantee the grower a minimum of 32 cents net on the tree for each standard packed box.

"None of the proposed contracts in the opinion of attorneys for the Florida Citrus Commission and the Agriculture Department complied with the grower cost guarantee law or with the regulation passed by the commission, Jan. 16," Taylor said.

"In the face of this provision which is now law," he explained, "the department has no alternative but to disapprove any contract that does not assure the grower the minimum price of 32 cents per box as established by the commission."

Prof. Jacobs Is Attacked By Assailant

School Principal Is Stabbed By Unidentified Man In Back Yard Of His Home

Prof. J. Tilden Jacobs of Lake Monroe was attacked by an unidentified assailant at his home at noon today and sustained several knife wounds but his condition was said not to be serious by his physician.

Although complete details of the incident could not be obtained, it was understood that Mr. Jacobs was returning to his own back yard by a stranger who had... Jacobs' office... description of a man seen about the premises was, it was understood, put a role on a track en route to Orlando.

After being stabbed, Mr. Jacobs was able to summon a physician but collapsed shortly afterward. He was found by neighbors. Mr. Jacobs said he was not injured.

Mr. Jacobs has served as principal of several schools in Seminole County for a number of years.

Mrs. Mettinger Dies Following 2 Weeks' Illness

Mrs. Esther W. Mettinger passed away early this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Morgan, following an illness of two weeks. Mrs. Mettinger was born in Elland, England, and spent her girlhood in Philadelphia where she was educated.

She came to Sanford as a bride and resided here until 1915 at which time Mr. and Mrs. Mettinger moved to Jacksonville and lived there until Mr. Mettinger's death in 1922. Since that time she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Morgan.

Mrs. Mettinger was a devoted member of the First Methodist Church, a past president of the Woman's Missionary Society and director of the choir for 16 years. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. W. L. Morgan, of Sanford, Ruth E. Mettinger, of Jacksonville, and one grandson, Jack W. Morgan, a student at the University of Florida.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the First Methodist Church with Rev. W. P. Buhner and Dr. E. D. Browne officiating. Burial will be made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Commercial Fishermen May Form Association

Plans for organizing a local branch of the Commercial Fishermen's Association of Florida have been announced by W. H. Baulston, a member of the association, and a meeting has been called for next Saturday afternoon at the Court House at 3:00 o'clock to that purpose. Other matters affecting local commercial fishermen will also be discussed at the meeting.

The meeting held last Saturday afternoon at the Court House is reported to have been well attended and many problems were discussed with John G. Leonard, state legislator.

REMAKE INDIA'S MAP
NEW DELHI.—(P)—Creation of new provinces and regrouping of states by the Government of India Act (Federalism) has necessitated making a new map of the Empire and rendered all previous maps out of date.

Frost Predicted For Sanford Area

LAKELAND, Feb. 22.—(P)—A heavy to killing frost in North Florida and a light to heavy frost in the central portion of the state tonight and tomorrow morning was forecast today by the Weather Bureau. Among the low temperatures forecast were Gainesville 26, New Smyrna 30, Sanford 33, DeLand 29.

POLICE KEEP BACK ANTI-NAZIS



New York mounted policemen are shown as they broke up demonstrations against the German American Bund. The anti-Nazi crowds were herded back from the vicinity of Madison Square Garden while 20,000 Nazi sympathizers met inside to "honor" George Washington Monday night.

Bund Members Are Described As "Traitors"

Nazi Demonstrators Seen As U. S. Enemies By Martin

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(P)—The House, pausing briefly before resuming consideration of the \$60,000,000 naval air base program, heard the participants in the recent German-American Bund meeting in New York described as "traitors" to the United States.

Rep. Martin (D-Calif.) described the Madison Square Garden meeting as a "mass demonstration of alien spies of those wearing the uniform of a foreign detachment, the enemy of everything that George Washington stood for and America symbolized."

Polished orators at the Bund remarks at several points.

The development at Garden was attacked by the House majority by Rep. Egan (D-N.Y.).

The Senate passed the \$188,000,000 appropriation bill for the Navy, including the IVA, and sent it back to the House which had refused to take the IVA during continuing construction of several IVA dams.

Secretary of War, W. W. Belknap, was decorated, but a vote on the Military Committee to take the limit off the number of men the army could acquire under the administration's defense program.

City News Briefs

Dr. D. C. Will, of the State Board of Health in Jacksonville, will be in Sanford and Seminole County tomorrow to give typhoid inoculations to pupils in the county's schools, according to Mrs. Dorothy Lamb, Seminole County School nurse.

The Holy Cross Episcopal Church will hold the following Lenten services: Ash Wednesday (tonight) at 7:30 o'clock; Thursday, Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M. and 10:00 A. M.; Friday, St. Matthias Day, Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M. and Vespers at 5:00 P. M.

There will be a joint meeting of the Softball League Council and the Recreational Committee of the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce in the Chamber building tonight at 7:30 o'clock, according to information received today.

DON'T EAT FOR FUN

BOSTON.—(P)—Returning from a two-year anthropological expedition to New Guinea, Capt. Fred Crockett explained the cannibals there eat human flesh to satisfy their appetite for meat, not because they "get any fun out of the bloodthirsty business."

AT ROLLINS



Mrs. Garner Is On Animated Magazine

WINTER PARK, Feb. 22.—Mrs. Elvina Garner, Sanford, Fla., who has won fame as a popular pianist, will appear on the animated magazine "The Animated Magazine" which is being published by the Sanford Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Garner will contribute to the magazine a number of piano pieces. The magazine is being published by the Sanford Chamber of Commerce.

The Faculty of the State Normal School at Rollins, Fla., will appear in a play at the Rollins Hotel and will be directed by Mrs. Elvina Garner.

Road Route Talked By Kissimmee Men

KISSIMMEE, Feb. 22.—Completion of the State Road Two will not be acceptable to business leaders and residents of Kissimmee unless the long proposed route through the business section is followed. Such was their unanimous decision at an overflow meeting last night.

The program was presented by Mrs. Wright and Miss Wynn.

1. A soft line by Mrs. Bobb Johnson, Nell Egan, Miss Jan Copeland, and Gladys Wynn.

MONGOLIA GETS RAILWAY

MOSCOW.—(P)—Outer Mongolia's first railway has begun hauling freight, it is a narrow gauge line, 25 miles long, connecting Ulan-Bator with the Naikaika coal mines. The sovietized People's Republic declared a national holiday the day it opened operations.

Ladies Night Is Held At Mayfair By Kiwanis Club

Program Is Presented By Mrs. Wright And Miss Eloise Wynn

Sanford Kiwanis entertained the wives of club members at a "Ladies Night" banquet last night at the Mayfair Hotel which featured a program with a number of specialty acts under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Johnson Wright and a series of musical contributions by Mrs. Eloise Wynn.

A success story of the night was a piano solo by Mrs. Elvina Garner, who has won fame as a popular pianist.

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Mass Meeting Of Celery Men Is Scheduled

Control Of Shipments To Be Major Topic At Court House Affair Thursday Night

General Collapse Is Feared Soon

Steady Celery Market Anticipated Fails To Materialize

Declaring that immediate action of the Seminole County celery industry is imperative in order to save the industry from a general collapse, Gus Schmah, president of the Seminole County Agricultural Association, today called a mass meeting of growers and shippers to be held in the Court House tomorrow night at 8:00 for the purpose of deciding upon a program for controlling shipments.

The light upward trend of the market which was anticipated last week and because of the apparent drop in holdover cars in principle markets and a slight increase in inquiry for celery last week, failed to materialize and the market has become even more demoralized with the increase in holdover cars accompanied by a corresponding increase in the price.

Declaring that growers soon will be forced to curtail their shipments of celery freight bills under a voluntary control program introduced during the recent market meeting, Mr. Schmah stated that he was having a conference with his growers and shippers to discuss the possibility of a voluntary control program to get some returns on the crop.

Another meeting of the celery growers would mean doom for the industry, he declared, that complete control of the market is imminent and that a voluntary control program can be arranged for the next few weeks.

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Joy In Work

The United States' greatest contribution to life is the conception that labor is something dignified and desirable for everyone, declares Channing Pollock, distinguished playwright, author, and publicist, in the current Rotarian Magazine.

"There are dirty jobs, dull jobs, devastating jobs, but I think there can be few, even of these, that do not give some return outside of the pay envelope," he continues.

"The man who doesn't find his job too dull or too devastating isn't likely to hold it very long, the playwright says, for the majority of successful men started at jobs that may have seemed uninteresting, yet of which they were unashamed and unresentful.

"They were banking on themselves; playing a thrilling game; keeping one eye on the bolts, or the wastebaskets, and the other on the gold—not necessarily material gold—at the foot of the rainbow," Pollock points out.

"It is too bad, perhaps, that so many of us toiled to the exclusion of other good things, such as enjoyment of leisure and literature and art, but I should say that wise and balanced enjoyment of labor, like wise and balanced enjoyment of leisure, is an art.

"I can't remember any good job I ever did that didn't leave me thrilled, exultant, and almost hysterically nappy," he observes. "Of course there's no happiness in the other kind, though, mercifully, we often mistake bad work for good while doing it. But when one perseveres, and bad work becomes good—that's the thrill that, luckily, comes more than once in a lifetime."

Extra! American Press Commended

Even in these times, when the term "kept press" has become fashionable in certain high quarters, someone rises up occasionally to say a good word for the newspapers of the United States.

Speaking recently before an audience of business and professional men in Chicago, Dr. William Lyon Phelps of Yale University paid his respects to the press. Newspapers are a test of alertness, he told his audience.

"The Yale professor had better be careful. His kind words are appreciated by the newspapers, but they are not likely to be appreciated by the gentlemen who dislike the American press precisely because it is alert, and interesting and reliable. Dr. Phelps may discover that he has called down upon his head a shower of bricks, directed by the forces which are busily engaged in trying to undermine the confidence of the American people in American newspapers.

Meanwhile, Texas at least will try to get along with its hundreds of exceeding readable weekly newspapers and its scores of excellent daily newspapers. So far, they have rendered notable service to the State. They must be the same kind of newspapers Dr. Phelps has been reading.—The Texas Weekly.

Many Attractions To Be At Orlando Fair

When Marjorie Kemp launched her career as a wild animal trainer at a Century of Progress in Chicago she brought into existence an attraction that each year becomes more and more spectacular and attracts ever increasing throngs of spectators to the huge Royal American Shows midway.

Her's is one of a score of tent theaters that will appear on the midway at this year's Central Florida Exposition in Orlando from Monday, Feb. 27 through Saturday, Mar. 4, with Royal American Shows.

One of Miss Kemp's most thrilling performances for the 1938 season includes her brother, Captain Walter B. Kemp, Motorcycle messenger hero of Vernon, as well as two full grown Nubian Jungle-bred lions. Miss Kemp forces the lions to pose on pedestals on the vertical motorhome walls while her brother rides a motorcycle over and under them at terrific speed.

With the roar of the motorcycle and Captain Kemp's spectacular somersault and plunging over, under and around the beasts, Miss Kemp has her "hands full of lions" throughout the act.

Because of the peculiar manner in which the arena is constructed it is necessary for Captain Kemp to ride the rim while his sister brings in the lions and forces them to take their places. When the act is ended Captain Kemp must continue his precarious position at the top of the wall while the lions are driven from the arena.

While the performance is highly spectacular, showmen say, there is no danger for spectators because a heavy guard cable near the top of the wall prevents motorcycle or rider from slipping into the crowd in case of an accident.

Lions Take Step To Unite For Democracy

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Lions take another forward step in their national program to unite the country behind democracy, with a Re-dedication Program to be held at Lions Club meetings during the week of George Washington's birthday.

Lions Clubs which will meet that week, representing more than 125,000 of the business and professional men of the country.

Lions Re-dedication Week will be a nation-wide demonstration of patriotism and is set to coincide with the birthday of George Washington because Washington's democratic principles have largely influenced the twentieth century Lions Club whose slogan is "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety."

Special ceremonies will be staged at the regular weekly meetings, in which the Lions will re-dedicate themselves to the tenets of democracy and Lionism.

Recently a Lion's code of citizenship and patriotism was prepared and distributed to all Lions. This code will form the basis of the George Washington week meetings.

Capt. Kemp, on the other hand, would be thrown into the arena with the lions if he should slip and fall.

Miss Kemp's joy ride with a jungle beast, the act that made her internationally famous at a Century of Progress, will be presented at this year. In addition to this act there are girl motorcycle races, dare-devil trick-riders in the same attraction on the Royal American midway.

This attraction is only one of twenty four sensational shows that will be on the Royal American midway at the Central Florida Exposition. Performances will be given continuously and will start at 10 o'clock on Monday, Feb. 27.

WASHINGTON



Washington Liked Fun On His Own Birthday

Washington has come down to 38° means "Mercury 38°"—the us a dour, severe, and somewhat temperature.)

But behind that simple entry lies the fact that it was a swell party.

It was given at Rickett's Amphitheater, and at least 1,200 people jammed in. One who was present wrote: "The show was a very brilliant one, but such scrambling to go to supper that there was some danger of being squeezed to death. The Vice President handed in Mrs. Washington, and the President followed. The applause with which they were received was indescribable. The same was shown on their return from supper. The music added greatly to the interest of the scene. The President staid till between 12 and 1."

And though the President did not confide in his diary, you may be sure that he enjoyed every minute of it. For the Father of His Country was no tin idol talking in maxims. He loved a good party.

The solemn words of the Farewell address may well be read by every American today, not for their historic interest, but because they contain advice as worth hearing today as in 1796. But they make even better reading when we realize that they came from a human being, not a plaster saint.

"Rain in the Night, cloudy forenoon with the Wind at East, afterwards at S. W. clear and very fine, went in the evening to an excellent entertainment, given on my birth night, Mer. 28."

The lifelong farmer comes to the front throughout his diaries, and the careful entry of the weather is characteristic. ("Mer. 28."

WEEKLY NEWS COLUMN

By JOE HENDRICKS

POLITICAL CATALOGUE — At this writing the House of Representatives is holding general debate on the Legislative Appropriation Bill. I always wonder why we have general debate on any bill since during the period of general debate a Member of Congress is permitted to discuss anything from balancing the budget to the grass skirts in Hawaii, according to his preference. However, today, the members prefer neither. During the time that I was on the Floor I heard one member give a long speech defending the Democratic Party and lambasting the daylights out of the Republican Party. I heard another member answer the Democratic member defending his party and lambasting the Democratic Party. So, my thought is that instead of having general debate on each bill it would be better to have a field day each week for political discussions in order that it may all go in the Congressional Record.

The people of the Nation are paying for the printing of the Record and I suppose that they might as well be advised on matters political and partisan. In fact, since it is a general practice even though my constituents are smart enough to know what is best for them, I may myself get something in the Record to advise the voters of other States.

WE MAY VOTE — At this time we may vote on the National Defense Bill which permits this Government to bring the number of planes in the Air Force up to 5,500—at least approaching some of the air forces of some of the major powers. There will be other defense bills passed at this session. To whom it may occur that this is unnecessary and that we should wait until the need is actually felt. This opinion has been expressed to me on numerous occasions and by many people. Let's listen to what Mr. Harry H. Woodring, Secretary of War, has to say in regard to this matter. "Possibly we are the only powerful military power in the world that has not been attacked."

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comparative geographical isolation, we stand as one of the great military powers of the world, despite the fact our armed forces rank in strength closer to twentieth than to first. It is essential we make available in peacetime the critical items of munitions which require a year to a year and a half to manufacture. Formal declaration of war has been relegated to the history book. It is perfectly conceivable the actual impact of aerial bombs on the Panama Canal locks might signalize the abrupt entrance of the United States into a major armed conflict. A billion dollars made available the day war breaks upon us will not provide ten cents' worth of the critical items of munitions until a year or more has elapsed. Possession by manufacturing plants of the special tools, jigs and dies for production of complex war munitions will not suffice. Providing the plant with the necessary machinery solves but 20 percent of the problem the actual operation of that plant, the technique of manufacture, represents 80 percent of the difficulties. The remedy lies in placing "educational orders."

WE CAN'T KICK—I may say to my friends of the Townsend Clubs that we can't kick any longer about hearings. The Committee has certainly been most generous in hearings on H. R. 2. I was given all the time I wanted and concluded in two hours. Hearings on this one bill have been running since Feb. 7 and probably will continue until about the 22 of longer, which will be over two weeks. This is a most generous hearing offered on any bill when there are so many before the Committee, including the Patman Chain Store Bill and amendments for the Social Security Act.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS — Announcements of the following exams have been received. Physiotherapy Aide, \$1,800 a year. Physiotherapy pupil aide, \$1,440; Fisheries marketing agent, \$2,200. Assistant fisheries marketing agent, \$1,900; Senior mineral economist (any specialized branch) \$4,500. Mineral economist \$3,200; Associate mineral economist, \$2,800; Assistant mineral economist, \$2,500; Assistant naval architect, \$2,500; Assistant naval architect, \$2,500; Senior consultant in home economics education, \$4,500; Marine Engineer, \$2,500; Associate marine engineer, \$2,200; Assistant marine engineer, \$2,000; Junior professional assistant, \$2,000 a year. For further information call at the nearest first or second class post office.

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Washington's 207th Birthday Finds His Mt. Vernon Home Being Restored

By ALEXANDER R. GEORGE, ALEXANDRIA, Va., Feb. 22.—(AP)—The 207th birthday anniversary of George Washington finds his 18th century homestead more than ever like it was when he and Martha Washington lived there.

For the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, beginning its 80th year as custodian of the most famous home and tomb in the western hemisphere, pursues month by month and piece by piece a perpetual program of restoration.

This means continuous search for furnishings that were at Mount Vernon in Washington's time as well as colonial-type flowers and architectural designs. When the association in 1940 began its work at Mount Vernon on the original buildings, were approaching dilapidation, and grounds and gardens had deteriorated. Houdon's clay bust of Washington and the key of the Washingtons' Bastille, given to the General by Lafayette, were about the only original furnishings in the mansion.

About Two-Thirds Restored — Today two-thirds of the furnishings are those which were in the house when George and Martha lived there. And now the 19-room mansion and its outbuildings, from white walls and dark red roofs to the quaint eye-brow shutters on the barn, are the same in appearance as in Washington's day.

Furthermore, it now would be possible to produce replicas of the celebrated home for future generations of Americans, should the mansion ever be destroyed. Large-scale measured drawings are available which include even the intricate designs of the ornamental plaster ceilings.

Scores of flowers of the same variety enjoyed by the Washingtons and their guests will bloom in the Mount Vernon gardens this year as the result of intensive research which included listing thousands of popular 18th century plants.

Some 40 of the trees on the estate were there in Washington's time, and a few were planted under his immediate supervision. Old trees destroyed by storms are replaced by the same species, and the landscaping pattern is substantially as planned and developed by the first president.

Stones on which Washington walked paved the floor of the piazza, but a few must be replaced each year because of the ceaseless tramping of visitors. Replacements come from the same quarry near Whitehaven, England, where Washington obtained the originals.

The first president had the weather boarding of the mansion grooved to simulate stone joints. Sand dashed against the freshly-painted surfaces heightened the stone effect, and the paint-sand combination still is used on the estate.

When the barn was reshingled recently, the association brought shingles of heart cypress from the South Carolina locality where General Washington got his supplies. Inside the barn, research is being carried on to determine the location and design of stables.

Old Pottery Returned — Typical recent household accoutrements are a dainty cup and saucer of Custine pottery, originally given to Washington by the Comte de Custine Sarreck, and a ponderous waffle iron of revolutionary vintage. (The first president loved his batter cakes "with many dishes of tea.")

The Custine cup and saucer came back to Mount Vernon as the gift of Miss Christina L. Macomb, and Miss Nannie M. Macomb, of Washington, D. C. One hundred years ago they were given by the third wife of Washington's secretary, Tobias Lear, to the wife of Commodore John Rodgers, an ancestor of the western hemisphere, pursued Misses Macomb.

Washington's voluminous diaries and letters to Mount Vernon's overseers are the chief source of information about the original estate. The association has a staff of four research specialists, whose work is augmented by that of the regent, the vice regent, and the superintendent and head gardener at Mount Vernon.

Researchers are stumped, so far, in their quest for an 18th century ice cream freezer. Dinner guests of the Washingtons wrote of having "iced creams" Lafayette, were about the only original furnishings in the mansion. Writings reported that the first lady had a freezer.

Unsuccessful also have been efforts to reproduce a tulip like the handsome and very expensive pink blossom in Europe that was named after George Washington about 1795, which fact Mrs. Horace Mann Townner, regent of the association describes as an interesting example of the regard for Washington in England and on the continent.

Distributed To Families — The original furnishings of the house were distributed among members of the Washington and Custis families or sold by executors after Mrs. Washington's death in 1802. The association at first refurbished the mansion with period pieces but year after year these are being replaced by originals acquired by purchase, donation and bequest.

Most of the articles come from descendants of the Washington and Custis families. The first contribution was the priceless harpsichord which President Washington imported from London for Nelly Custis in 1793. Descendants of Nelly and her husband, Lawrence Lewis, nephew of Washington, returned it to Mount Vernon in 1860. Most interesting relic to the majority of some 600,000 annual visitors to "the hearthstone of the country" is the bed on which Washington slept and died. It came back to Mount Vernon from Arlington House, the historic mansion built by George Washington Parke Custis, adopted son of the first president and father-in-law of Robert E. Lee. And from away out in Dallas, Texas, came the eight day clock made for Washington in Philadelphia. It is on the stair landing in the central hall, still keeping good time.

Social And Personal Activities

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Social Calendar

THURSDAY

A special program will be presented at the meeting of the Sanford Townsfolk Club at the Woman's Club house at 7:30 o'clock.

The Congregational Church Men's Class will meet at the Parish House at 8:00 o'clock.

Girl Scouts will meet at the Little House at 3:45 o'clock to make final plans for their train trip.

Regular meeting of the Seminole Chapter of Rebekah Lodge will meet at 8:00 o'clock at the Odd Fellows' Hall.

FRIDAY

The Garden Clubs of the Fourth District will hold their annual joint meeting at the Cypress Gardens in Winter Haven at 11:30 A. M.

Union service for the World's Day of Prayer will be held at the Congregational Church at 3:00 o'clock.

The N. de V. Howard Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet with Mrs. M. S. Wiggins, 1217 Magnolia Avenue, at 3:30 o'clock.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church will hold a mission study class in the church annex at 10:00 A. M. The book, "Go Forward," will be taught. A covered-dish luncheon will be served at noon. All members are urged to attend.

SATURDAY

A George Washington Birthday supper will be given by the Pilgrim Fellowship Class of the Congregational Church at 6:00 o'clock in the Parish House.

Robert T. Newcomb will present the "Paganism of America" at the Seminole High School at 8:00 P. M.

Janet Gaynor, Doug Fairbanks in Movie

Janet Gaynor, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. and Paulette Goddard make their debut in an exciting new screen in David O. Selznick's comedy romance, "The Young in Heart," which begins a two day engagement at the Ritz Theatre today.

"Balducci," Young, Billie Burke, Henry Stephenson, Richard Carlson, romantic newcomer from the New York stage, and Minnie Dupree head the imposing supporting cast of this screen version of the I. A. B. Wylie Saturday Evening Post serial, "The Gay Banditti."

"The Young in Heart" is the delightful story of the Carletons, a family of fascinating phonies, who live by their charm and on anyone's money, and have been kicked out of only the best places from the Riviera to London. They're out to "take" the world, but they get the surprise of their easy-going lives.

Richard Wallace directed "The Young in Heart" from a screen play by Paul Osborn and Charles Bennett. The production is released through United Artists.

Clements Gets Job For 100 Years Hence

MIAMI, Feb. 22.—(A)—Ellis Hollums in his column "Behind the Front Page," in a recent issue of the Miami Herald says: "The report has reached Miami that George Clements, the intrepid loved agent of Earl Brown's big Florida shows at Expositions and world's fairs, including that to be held in New York next summer, did such a good job of staging the celebration of the Centennial of the state's first constitution at Fort St. Joe last fall, that he has been engaged by that community to stage the celebration of the bi-centennial to be held in 1936—one hundred years hence."

Hollums adds that "George is only 30 now and there is reason to believe he will be on the job in 1936. At any rate he has a job in sight."

Civic Department Gives Benefit Party

The George Washington bridge and Chinese checker party given yesterday by the civic department of the Sanford Woman's Club, proved a success both from the standpoint of entertainment and benefit for the Fernside-Laughton Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. A. M. Phillips was in charge of general arrangements for the party, which was held at the Woman's Club house at 2:30 o'clock.

The club rooms were decorated under the direction of Mrs. W. M. Spector and Mrs. Fred T. Williams, chairman of the hostess department. The reception hall was decorated with an arrangement of ten flags of different nations and a picture of George Washington. Also in keeping with the patriotic motif, a bouquet of crimson lake bougainvillea delphinium, and plum blossoms, was used in decoration.

A collection of George Washington pictures was displayed on the south wall of the club house, and the balcony was draped with large flags of several nations. Other decorative effects were bamboo, plum blossoms, and the disputed cherry tree and hatchet.

High score prize for the bridge games was won by Mrs. R. L. Cornell, and for the Chinese checker games by Mrs. George E. Rollins. Tally prize was awarded Mrs. M. LeZell of Lake Mary, while the serene contests were won by Mrs. J. Adrain Brown and Mrs. O. S. Tolar.

Mrs. Phillips expressed her appreciation for donations received from Mrs. E. Compton, Mrs. T. F. McDaniel, Mrs. Jack Compton, Dr. Elizabeth Tracy, Mrs. C. L. Park, Mrs. A. W. Knox, and Miss L. Baker.

The reservation committee for the occasion was composed of Mrs. E. Compton, Mrs. Eudor Curlett, Mrs. James Coates, Mrs. R. E. True and Mrs. H. D. Freeman. On the refreshment committee were Mrs. Roy Tillis, Mrs. L. P. Hagan, Mrs. J. B. Ray, Mrs. J. T. Newby and Mrs. J. O. Huff.

Floor hostesses were Mrs. R. J. Holly, president of the club; Mrs. Williams, Mrs. L. E. Spencer, Mrs. H. W. Rucker, Mrs. W. L. Cooper, Mrs. J. C. Bennett, Mrs. Douglas Scott, and Mrs. J. Ross Adams.

The door committee consisted of Mrs. John Meisch, Sr. and Mrs. J. G. Patterson. Arrangements for the checker games were made by Mrs. C. R. Dawson, Mrs. Rollins, and Mrs. H. J. Lehman. In charge of tables were Miss Irene Hinton, Mrs. J. E. Baker, and Mrs. O. P. Hervey.

While the card committee were Mrs. S. D. Higleyman, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. E. B. Lary, and Mrs. A. L. Collins.

Confederacy Children Are Given Boat Trip

The Robert E. Lee Chapter of the Children of the Confederacy were entertained by their director, Mrs. F. E. Roumillat, yesterday afternoon with a boat party on the St. Johns River.

Refreshments were served late in the afternoon by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. L. M. Leinhardt, Mrs. M. H. Spencer, and Mrs. B. R. Dighton.

Those present were: Anne Wright, Wilma Leinhardt, Margaret Spencer, Catherine Spencer, Betty Wainwright, Elizabeth Whigham, Lucy Roumillat, Jean Whigham, Mary Nancy Brock, Martha Wright, Joyce Whidden, Nancy Dighton, Mary Walton, Anne Walton, Wilfred Lovell, Susan Kirkley, Jane Thigpen, Doris Sue Williams, and Virginia Pezold.

Also, Elmore Gradick, Dickey Brown, Walter Haynes, Charles Cameron, Billy Brown, Joe Tenbet, Edward Higgins, Eddie Bolin, and Billy Earl Jeter.

Tacky Party Held By Tourist Club

A tacky party and old fashioned square-dance was held in connection with the weekly meeting of the Sanford Tourist Club in the Chamber of Commerce building last night, according to Chamber of Commerce officials.

A large attendance was present for the meeting which was presided over by President William Otto. Music for the square-dance was furnished by the Shannon Brothers.

Personals

Mrs. M. L. Futch visited the Ravine Gardens in Palatka today.

Mrs. A. Mahs of Atlanta, Ga., has arrived to spend several days with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Forrester.

Mrs. Ted E. Davis of Deland visited yesterday in Sanford with her mother, Mrs. E. W. Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Walther and family have moved from 719 Myrtle Avenue to their home, 502 Oak Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cantwell have gone to Oakland, Calif. where they will spend the Spring and summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Whitten are celebrating their silver wedding anniversary tomorrow at their home in Upland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ingle and family have moved from 522 Oak Avenue and are now at 520 Valencia Drive, San Ysidro.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Coates of Steubenville, Ohio arrived yesterday to visit with Mrs. J. W. Coates in Ocala for a few weeks.

Miss Elizabeth Whittington has returned to Tallahassee after spending the past weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Whittington.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Taylor and son, Bobbie, of Orlando were weekend guests of Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Hattie T. Coates, last weekend.

Fifty-Fifty Class Holds Regular Meet

The Fifty-Fifty Class of the First Methodist Church held its regular meeting Monday evening at the home of Judge and Mrs. R. W. Ware with Mr. and Mrs. J. Carson assistant hosts.

It was announced that Mr. Don Clay, A. M. Phillips, and Judge Ware have a perfect Sunday school attendance record to the year. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mr. C. L. Wayne. The devotional service was led by Judge Ware.

Chinese checker contest was played during the evening and a sweet course served by the hosts to the following: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Whigham, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Wain, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Ginder, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Uley, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cooney, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ryan.

Also, Mrs. Peggy Knapp, Mr. R. U. Hutchison, Mrs. H. B. Marsh, Mrs. J. P. Hervey, Miss H. H. Pickens, Mrs. L. W. Tindel, Mrs. L. M. Swan, Mrs. E. A. Hein, Mrs. A. M. Phillips, Miss Sara Myrick, Mrs. Ella Bolton, Miss Edith Bales, Miss Norine Norwood, Miss Gretchen Lewis, Miss Esther Louise Hughey, and visitors, Miss Alyce DeCoursey and Mrs. L. H. Harvey.

Social Security Titles Explained By J. L. Burgess

There is still a great deal of confusion regarding the different sections or titles of the Social Security Act, according to James L. Burgess, Manager of the Orlando office of the Florida State Employment Service.

"We have had a large number of workers apply for jobless benefits who were under the impression that the one percent deducted from their wages for the payment of Old Age Insurance by the Federal Government qualified them to receive unemployment compensation," Mr. Burgess stated.

"Federal Old Age Insurance, and Unemployment Compensation, while separate and distinct laws, are both part of the Social Security Act, and are therefore easily confused.

"Both the employer and employee pay the tax for Federal Old Age Insurance and it is administered by the Federal Government. Only the employer pays the contributions for unemployment compensation and it is administered by the State, such administration being financed by the Federal Government.

"Federal Old Age Insurance applies only to salaries up to \$3,000.00 per year and only to individuals up to sixty-five years of age. Unemployment Compensation has neither salary nor age limitations.

"Jobless benefits are not based upon contributions by the worker. They are based upon the wages earned by him in covered employment during the first nine months of 1933. Benefits are paid from a fund accumulated by the contributions of 2.7 percent of the total payroll of liable employers.

"In order for a worker to be entitled to sufficient wage credits to qualify for benefits he must have earned from a liable employer during his base period (the first nine months of 1933) an amount equal to or greater than 16 times his weekly benefit. At no time is it necessary or lawful for the worker to contribute to the unemployment compensation fund.

Army Recommendations Ohio, Erie Project

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(A)—Congress received today an Army recommendation for the construction of a canal linking Lake Erie to the Ohio river and the St. Lawrence River and connecting in connection with the project of such a project on that side of the area.

The recommendation contained in a report signed by Major General Charles E. Mendenhall, chief of army engineers, was forwarded to the cabinet by Secretary W. C. Clegg, in the construction of a \$207,000,000 canal at least 12 feet deep and 500 feet wide from the Ohio through the Beaver, Muskingum and Grand river valleys to Lake Erie.

With the report W. C. Clegg, chief of army engineers, also presented the national resources committee had raised a number of broad and serious problems which it feels have not been adequately covered.

"In this feeling I concur," the President added.

One question raised by the national resources committee, Roosevelt said, concerned railroad rates and he disclosed he was asking the interstate commerce commission to investigate rates in the affected area.

A memorandum to the ICC by the President said the resources board reported that "if the railroads would permanently reduce the rates by an average of 20 cents per ton prior to construction of the waterway, the through project would not be justified."

CELERY SALT "The Spice of S. H. S." By Pick Myers

Things have been in more or less of a turbulent state in dear old S. H. S. these past two weeks... last week the fare, Monday we had company and yesterday the play... which is all well and good... all work and no play makes Jack, etc. Here it is February... and it seems only yesterday that we entered these hollowed hills in pursuit of a somewhat doubtful relaxation... and it'll be only three more months till we get our reprieve for four still shorter ones... incidentally I noticed a "Humorous" little verse on one of the boards which went like this:

They stood on the porch in the moonlight,
Their lips were tightly pressed,
Then father gave the signal,
And the building did the rest.

The landscape was somewhat elevated Monday noon in front of school by staff... things that brought back an unpleasant memory or two to the P. A. K. "EX-philes"...

It was a subject which NEEL STEWART is more than sufficiently qualified to give a critical opinion on... the same type of rap box variety was probably loudly stamped upon his anatomy as that fateful Monday night of a few months ago.

EDDIE BILDIN got a little unexpected attention when he stepped forward to get down on his knees and solemnly sang "The Hymn" to him which he had learned to quite a solemnity... GEORGE HALL, made a phone call all the way to Orlando to book a date for a telephone conversation with a nice work if you can't get it, adversely BUCK FOLLOWSON likes BORDS.

RAY CRAWLEY "Dromedary" spoke GAYLEN McCRIM for the simple reason that he was the particular species she'd been looking for... that's one real "I hear MARCHA PROUD" has a "Bean-Booned" from Green Cove Springs.

The "C. C. Club" is going to throw a "Ten-Party," which was scheduled after much delay... a lot of controversy... they don't know where their party is... Have you noticed P. O. TELLS "Polychromatic" about a... WALTER LEE NEEL MARY NANCY BROCK LUCY MANSO VAN WEBER... speaking... with a note... their... POBBY STEWART... MARY MARTHA EMERK... have been... Wood of the absence of ERIC DYSON... NEEL STEWART... for... several... the... expected... the... Friday at midnight.

The beauty pageant program will be broadcast over State and University Radio Station WFLA from 2:30 to 3:00 o'clock.

Miss Mary Gene Preston will represent Sanford.



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Large Attendance At State Jaycee Parley Expected

PALATKA, Feb. 22.—With at least a score of contestants already entered in the Azalea Pageant, a beauty pageant to be held at the Yvonne Gardens here Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and more than 200 reservations on hand for the state-wide conference of Jaycees to be held Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock, the Palatka Junior Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring the week-end program, is anticipating a record breaking crowd here for the festivities.

Consideration in detail of the legislative program to be sponsored by Jaycees at the next session of the legislature will be a feature of the conference which has been called by Thomas F. Smith, Miami, president of the State Jaycees.

Miss Geraldine Meyer, St. Petersburg, winner of the title last year, and Miss Hilda M. Water, who will represent the Palatka Jaycees as "Maid of Honor," will take a prominent part in the ceremonies attendant upon the selection of a new queen during the beauty program.

Several other contests are expected from contestants who will represent the Jaycee clubs at Pensacola, Tampa, Miami, Jacksonville, Hastings, Daytona Beach, Tallahassee, St. Petersburg, Winter Haven, Sarasota, Fort Pierce, St. Augustine, Orlando, Gainesville, Lakeland, Madison, Vero Beach, Ocala and Sanford and one young lady will represent the State Aviation committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce as "Miss Aviation."

Several other contests are also expected prior to the deadline Friday at midnight.

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Break In Polk School Board Is Threatened

BARTOW, Feb. 22.—An open break between County Superintendent C. I. Hollingsworth and members of the Polk County School Board threatened for a time yesterday when Chairman Woodfolk, of Lake Wales, and R. C. Edington of Lakeland took exception to a statement issued the press the day before in which Hollingsworth stated that there was a shortage of cash attributable to the past administration.

Board members agreed that there had been no shortage, but contended that there was a shortage of \$15,000 on account of Woodfolk's claim that Hollingsworth's statement was prejudicial to the present board.

The board members also took exception to the statement that the present school board was "overpaid," but said they would not apply for a salary increase until the next session of the board.

Bartow, Feb. 22.—(A)—The board members of the Polk County School Board met today at 10:00 o'clock at the Polk County Courthouse in Bartow.

Services Continued At Gospel Tabernacle

A. J. Ruff, business man's evangelist, of Jacksonville, will speak tonight at Full Gospel Tabernacle, Orlando Road, on the prophetic chapter of the Book of Daniel. His talk will be illustrated with pictures of unusual merit, it is said. Assisting in the service will be Mr. Ruff's young son, Julian. "The Life of Christ" was shown last night. The return of Jesus for His church will be pictured tomorrow night. The series will close Friday night.

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Leaders Ask Roll Call On Guam Defense

Action Demanded By Vinson When Only Handful Appears Prior To Voting

Wallace Outlines Surplus Disposal

Bill To Abolish Officials' Salaries Exemption Keyed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Leaders forced a roll call when the House convened today to bring out the maximum voting strength for the Administration proposed \$5,000,000 naval development of the Pacific island of Guam.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the House Naval Committee demanded it when only a handful of members appeared just prior to the scheduled vote.

Secretary Wallace outlined to the Senate Agricultural Committee possible plans for dealing with the large surplus of American cotton.

They were to continue the present loan program and find a way to put surplus cotton on the world market on a "competitive basis; increasing the growers' income as it would give up loans; a plan for fixing a high domestic price that would let the surplus flow on the market for what it would bring."

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A bill to abolish tax exemption on all salaries drawn from public treasuries was approved.

Mayo Expected To Rule On Canner's Suspended License

WINTER HAVEN, Feb. 23.—State Chemist J. J. Taylor said last night he expected to announce today the decision of Commissioner of Agriculture Mayo on a request by the Florida Grapefruit Canning company at Bradenton for an order to restore the company's fruit dealer's license.

Mayo was expected to rule on the request today. Taylor said the company was suspended on Feb. 8 when Mayo ruled that an over contract, calling for the payment of 20 cents in cash and 12 cents later was a violation of the minimum price law.

In a statement Taylor said the company of which Fred J. Eker, Jr. is president, has "fully complied" with the suspension order which shut down the plant and had completely abandoned the over contracts under which it was operating.

BRADENTON, Feb. 23.—A. B. News, Bradenton attorney, said yesterday that a charter had been granted the Lee County Cooperative Packers, of Fort Myers by Secretary of State Gray and that work had been resumed at the Fort Myers grapefruit cannery plant which had been idle since the citrus commission invoked a 1935 law that pegged the price of grapefruit at 22 cents a box.

News said H. C. Case, a Fort Myers grower, headed the cooperative and was associated with other growers who have been unable to sell since the independent processor closed. The cooperative proposes to own its own fruit and make such returns to members as the market will permit. A plant has been leased having a daily capacity of 1500 boxes of fruit.

Gibbs Gives Local Canal Boost At Waterway Meet

WANTS TO FIGHT



Declaring that the growth of a city or community is dependent largely on its accessibility to yachts of wealthy winter visitors, George W. Gibbs of Jacksonville, president of the St. Johns River Improvement Association, outlined the benefits to Sanford and the whole St. Johns River Valley of the proposed St. Johns Indian River canal, a project given the full endorsement of the Florida Inland Waterways Congress which held an annual meeting in Mt. Dora yesterday.

Presided over by Walter P. Cochran, Jr., of Jacksonville, who was re-elected chairman, C. Lewis H. Watkins, chief of the U. S. Army engineers for the Jacksonville district, was one of the principle speakers at the session. In his address, Mr. Watkins asserted that the proposed Florida cross-state canal was economically justifiable and could be constructed without disturbing the underground water supply by use of lock.

Attending the convention from Sanford were Ralph Burgess, secretary of the Seminole County Board of Commerce, Executive Director Gerald L. Ash, and Seminole County Representative H. J. Lehman who is a director in the Waterways Congress.

In recapitulating his support of the proposed development of the continuation of the St. Johns River channel from Sanford to the Indian River, Mr. Gibbs declared that the St. Johns Valley and central Florida would rival that of the East Coast if the project were completed.

One of several speakers at the fourth annual meeting of the waterway group, Col. Watkins, speaking in regard to the proposed cross-state canal, "the proposed canal is the most debated waterway subject, but our findings indicate the canal is economically justifiable and could be constructed without disturbing ground water by use of locks."

"However," he continued, "engineers decided on a sea level route because they considered the ground water danger very remote. Possible harm to Florida's underground water supply has been one of the points raised by canal opponents.

Waterway proponents, however, had increased traffic from the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf made the canal desirable. They also urged the excavating would not harm water-producing formations.

The congress reinforced the cross-state canal and proposed for "meritless listing" waterway projects at Cocoa Inlet, Crescent Lake to Flagler Beach, Sebastian and the West Palm Beach canal. Recommended for approval was the Lee county flood control project. Action was deferred on the Apopka-Lake Marshall canal.

The group re-elected all officers and decided to hold its 1940 meeting in Mt. Dora in Feb. Officers are: Walter P. Cochran, Jr., of Jacksonville, chairman; W. P. Franklin of Fort Myers and W. C. Brown of Clermont vice chairmen, and Karl Lehmann of Yulee, secretary-treasurer. Henry W. Adams of St. Petersburg, said the waterways group would seek to have the 1939 legislature enact a bill to provide funds for navigation and flood control projects by diverting three cents of the Florida tax on gasoline to motorboats. He estimated this would raise about \$90,000 annually.

Col. Jarvis J. Bain of Richmond Va., division engineer for the war department, said a study was being made with a view of recommending a depth of more than eight feet for the intra-canastal waterway from Jacksonville to Miami.

L. H. Kramer, president of Florida Citrus Growers, Inc., said the waterway congress by encouraging shipments by water was helping to lower citrus freight rates. Kramer said the citrus industry in Florida must standardize its pack, grow better fruit at lower cost, regulate canning, and conduct research on by-product if the industry is to progress. He said cooperation of Florida, Texas and California in a constructive program for the industry is necessary.

To fill the vacancies caused by the China war, Japan is recruiting men under 21 years of age for her police forces.

McCall Gets Sanity Test At Raiford

Appeals Court Turns Down Second Plea Of Attorneys For Delay In Execution

RAIFORD, Fla., Feb. 23.—(AP)—Three physicians and three attorneys conducted a sanity test of the ransom kidnaper Frank Pierce McCall in his death row at the State prison here today.

The test was made in request of McCall's attorneys and reportedly was sought by McCall himself. Results were not announced immediately.

Meanwhile Attorney C. A. Avrett planned an appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court during the afternoon in a last-minute effort to save the confessed kidnaper of little Jimmy Cash of Princeton, Fla.

At New Orleans the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the second time today turned down the petition of E. C. Rutledge, another of McCall's attorneys, to stay execution which is scheduled to take place at 11:00 A. M.

Judge Rufus E. Foster, senior judge of the fifth circuit court of appeals at New Orleans, denied the last application for a certificate of probable cause which would have delayed McCall's execution.

Judge Foster said attorneys had not shown sufficient reasons for obtaining the certificate. E. C. Rutledge, Avrett's associate, told the court McCall had been intimidated by federal agents when he confessed that he snatched the cash child from his parents' home last May and collected \$10,000 ransom after the child was dead.

Judge Foster said no evidence had been brought by anyone to prove the allegation, and that for the fact of it there was probable cause why the certificate should be issued.

Issuance of the certificate would have permitted McCall attorneys an appeal to the Florida supreme court for a reason of the case. The state court already has affirmed the death sentence and declined to interfere with the execution.

Governor Clegg said yesterday he had asked Prison Superintendent Chapman to delay McCall's death because "there was a constitutional question involved that I wanted to clear up."

Chapman said he acted on the governor's request under provisions of the death law which fixed the week of Feb. 20 for the execution, leaving the exact date to be selected by the prison superintendent.

The celery industry operated last year under an AAA marketing agreement and the volume for shipment was set weekly by a control committee composed of an even number of growers and shippers. The growers voted out this agreement in a referendum last July.

With the present demoralized condition of the celery market, limited celery farmers of the AAA soil conservation program which was approved by the Agriculture Adjustment Administration last fall as an emergency measure is still in effect. The program provides for payment of about \$30 an acre for celery land planted to soil conserving crops up to about 15 percent of the total acreage.

The program was designed to reduce the Florida acreage sufficiently to prevent a surplus in the commodity. Agent Dawson declared that the program "was not intended as a plug-up program, but since there is no definite date for compliance, farmers may still take advantage of this offer." He cautioned growers, however, to contact his office before compliance with the program was made. When asked about the degree of compliance, Mr. Dawson said he would rather not divulge this information.

Cape Verde trade statistics show that for the first half of last year, Japan virtually monopolized the textile market for the islands.

Large Local Group Will Attend Road Meeting At Mims

A delegation of 35 or 40 Seminole County officials and others interested in the improvement of State Road No. 44 from Seminole County to the East Coast will meet with a Brevard County delegation in the Mims Town Hall tomorrow night for a chicken plan supper during which further plans for securing the improvement of this roadway will be discussed.

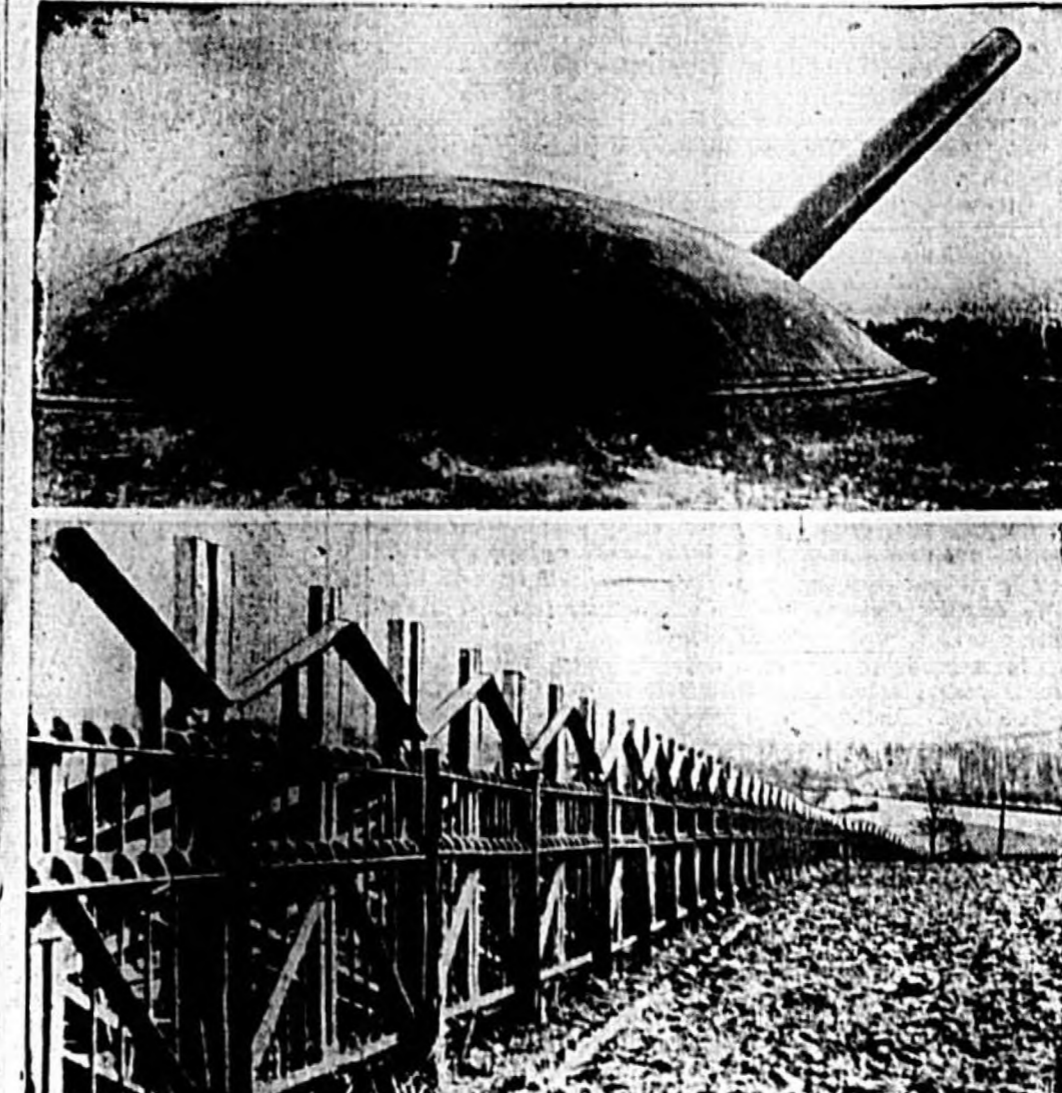
A similar meeting, which was attended by a large delegation from the adjoining county was held in the Valdez Hotel here several weeks ago.

Local Chamber of Commerce officials said the meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 P. M. and urged as many Seminole County persons as possible to attend.

Softball Game Is Postponed For Week

The softball game scheduled for tonight between the Eckerson Fruit Cannery and the Kilgore Seedmen has been postponed until next Thursday night when a double header will be played, according to an announcement by Gerald L. Ash, recreational director. The cold caused the postponement. The preliminary girls' game was postponed until Monday night. The Kilgore team will play two games next Thursday night.

LITTLE BELGIUM IS READY THIS TIME



Belgium remembers 1914—when her old-style frontier forts were smothered by German artillery. Today her frontier with Germany is protected by a "Maginot" line similar to the famous underground defenses of France. In top photo a heavy gun turret from the fort of a subterranean system. The steel-lined anti-tank wall shows in lower photo, gun over hill of earth, for hide along Belgium's eastern border.

Many Proposals Are Expected At Celery Meeting

Farmers Told Acreage Reduction Program Is Still Available

Many proposals for the stabilization of the celery industry are expected to be offered at the mass meeting of growers and shippers in the Court House tonight when the industry will decide upon a plan for controlling the shipping volume during the peak of the season.

Declaring that Seminole County is by far the leading producer of celery at this time of the season, Gus Schmitt, president of the Seminole County Agricultural Association, declared that if some method of controlling shipments to prevent a glutted market could be worked out in this county, the serious condition now existing could be alleviated.

The celery industry operated last year under an AAA marketing agreement and the volume for shipment was set weekly by a control committee composed of an even number of growers and shippers. The growers voted out this agreement in a referendum last July.

With the present demoralized condition of the celery market, limited celery farmers of the AAA soil conservation program which was approved by the Agriculture Adjustment Administration last fall as an emergency measure is still in effect. The program provides for payment of about \$30 an acre for celery land planted to soil conserving crops up to about 15 percent of the total acreage.

The program was designed to reduce the Florida acreage sufficiently to prevent a surplus in the commodity. Agent Dawson declared that the program "was not intended as a plug-up program, but since there is no definite date for compliance, farmers may still take advantage of this offer." He cautioned growers, however, to contact his office before compliance with the program was made. When asked about the degree of compliance, Mr. Dawson said he would rather not divulge this information.

Cape Verde trade statistics show that for the first half of last year, Japan virtually monopolized the textile market for the islands.

Plans Made For Annual Meet Of Audubon Society

Continued Cold Is Tonight's Forecast

LAKELAND, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The Weather Bureau today forecast another night of low or lower temperatures and northwinds. Light snow or sleet today, with a cold to the end of the week.

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Plans for the annual meeting of the Florida Audubon Society at Florida College at Winter Park will be held at 10:00 A. M. on Saturday, March 4th. The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the college. The program will include a talk by the state game warden, Mr. J. H. Storer, of Tallahassee, and a report by the state game warden, Mr. J. H. Storer, of Tallahassee.

Two field trips, which are part of the annual program, will be held on Saturday, March 4th. One of them will be a local trip on the Ft. Pierce and Wabeka roads. The other will be a trip to the state game warden's office at Winter Park.

PERFECT RECORD

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—(AP)—They looked nice and shiny and there was only one thing wrong with the false teeth a burglar stole from the office of Dr. P. W. Finch. The teeth won't "chew." The dentist said they merely were an exhibition pair.

LOCAL WEATHER

Italo-French Mediation Is Being Planned

Rome Newspaper Says Overtures Have Already Been Made For Appeasement

Reports On Tunis Clash Are Denied

Bullitt Declares In Paris U. S. Isolation Policy Ended

CHATHAM, Mass., Feb. 23.—(AP)—An organized search was abandoned today for an unnamed vessel which yesterday flashed on a sudden SOS, reporting she had been torpedoed near the Azores, and the beleaguered affair appeared likely to be recorded as another mystery of the sea.

No trace of the vessel was found and her call letters were not listed in the registry of any nation.

British Prime Minister Chamberlain was pictured in Rome today as preparing to mediate issues between France and Italy as both Chamberlain and French Premier Daladier made it clear that "appeasement" does not mean surrender.

A dispatch from London to the newspaper Il Popolo Di Roma quoted an "excellent" French informant as saying that overtures already had been made for a plan Chamberlain is preparing to settle Italy, as yet unofficially, as a condition for colonial concessions from France.

Manuel de Goyanes, in both Italy and France denied the reports of clashes of Italian and French soldiers last Friday in Tunis.

France continued efforts looking toward the recognition of the bourgeois regime in Spain. In Paris last night United States Ambassador Bullitt disclosed that America's geographical isolation was ended and that the United States was rearming to defend its democratic institutions.

The ambassador spoke at the American club's Washington birthday dinner in the presence of Premier Daladier and other members of the French cabinet.

The ambassador said the protection bestowed on the United States by the Atlantic and Pacific oceans in Washington's day no longer existed.

"At this moment the minds of Americans are dealing slowly and carefully with important problems," he said. "A growing apprehension that if there should be war in Europe we might be drawn into it is causing much thought at home. Indeed, never in my experience has the discussion of foreign affairs been so widespread or so intelligent. The discussion is thoroughly realistic. Only a negligible number of fanatics are arguing in terms of 'isms.' Americans as a people sustain religion and not religious wars."

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—(AP)—Kathleen Green, 11, will receive a medal for a perfect school record. In eight years she has never been absent or late and has never missed a grade.

LOCAL WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Friday except unsettled on the extreme south coast; continued cold except slightly warmer in the coastal areas, heavy frost in the north and central portions tonight, warmer Friday.