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Sports

Cross Country meet set

LAKE MARY — The Lake Mary Summertime Cross Country Jamboree for all ages will be run on Saturday, August 26. See Page 1B.

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Wings of Love

SANFORD — Wings of Love Guild, a newly formed organization that supports the Hospice Children's Program, held a fund-raiser in Sanford. Other benefits are announced. See Page 3B.

BRIEFS

Light plane flips

SANFORD — A Cessna 152 aircraft flipped over at the Orlando Sanford Airport Monday evening. According to Sanford police, the plane, piloted by Kardana Eastenbrook of Enterprise, was practicing touch-and-go landings at approximately 8 p.m., when the plane ran off the runway and flipped over.

Airport officials were not immediately available for comment on the possible cause of the incident. Kardana reportedly did not suffer severe injuries in the incident.

Judge Benson honored

SANFORD — The Young Lawyer's Division of the Florida Bar has recognized Seminole County Circuit Judge Seymour Benson (18th Judicial Court) as recipient of the 1995 Outstanding Jurist of the Year award. The award is presented at the annual meeting of the Florida Bar.

The award is given to the judge who has made an outstanding contribution to the development of young lawyers.

Last year's recipient was Judge Melanie G. May of the 17th Circuit.

This is the second honor Judge Benson has received this year. Earlier, he was honored by the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Florida Chapter, as the recipient of the Gavin K. Letts Memorial Award for 1995. The Letts award program honors judges who have made an outstanding contribution in the field of family law.

Psychic at book store

LAKE MARY — Margaret Stoute will be guest speaker Friday evening, at 7:30 p.m., at Little Wing Books, 3801 W. Lake Mary Blvd. The event is one of a series of "Coffee and Conversation" gatherings at the store.

Stoute is a professional psychic, practitioner in relaxation and empowerment, and an active volunteer with Hospice of Central Florida and member of the Association for Research and Enlightenment.

Stoute teaches classes on empowering individuals in their spiritual growth and development. During this Friday evening's gathering, she will discuss steps needed to fine tune psychic abilities.

The "Coffee and Conversation" is open to the public, and free of charge.

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There is an old saying here that a man must do three things during life: plant trees, write books and have sons. I wish they would plant more trees and write more books.

-Luis Munoz Marin



Today: Mostly cloudy with showers and thunderstorms. Mainly in the afternoon. Locally heavy rain possible. High in the mid to upper 80s. Wind southeast 10 to 15 mph with higher gusts in thunderstorms. Chance of rain 80 percent.

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Melissa Horenkohl wearing her Special Olympics silver medal, displays the badges and pins she collected from other athletes who live in different countries.

Athlete competes in world games for Special Olympics, earns silver

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — Olympian Melissa Horenkohl returned from the summer Olympic games in New Haven, Conn. with a silver medal.

Though she is primarily a track athlete, the medal she displays is for a sport that is new to her.

Horenkohl took the second place honor for the softball throw in the world Special Olympic games.

She brought home no medals from the track events, but she gathered some special memories that will last a lifetime.

With a smile that dims even the sparkle of the medal, Horenkohl said, through her grandmother Patricia Haugh, she enjoyed the experience of meeting athletes from other countries.

"She really likes meeting new people," her grandmother said. "She got to meet children from all over the world."

Horenkohl, who graduated from Lake Mary High School this past June, is considered educably mentally handicapped.

"Physically she's fine," Haugh said. "She's always been interested in athletics."

Since her father is a coach for a Special Olympics basketball team, the young woman first tried that game. But, her grandmother said, it just wasn't for her.

"She just got into track and stayed with that," Haugh said.

The world games were exciting for the young athlete her grandmother said, though she didn't win medals in her usual events.

"There were all sorts of kids from Africa who ran in their bare feet who won all the track events, but she had a good time," Haugh said.

When she isn't practicing for athletic competition, Horenkohl works as a bagger at the Publix supermarket in Lake Mary.

She is still contemplating other career options. See Athlete, Page 5A

Power to the people

Electricity still out after Erin

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The two power companies serving Seminole County and nearby areas are still concentrating on power outages caused by Hurricane Erin. As of last night, an estimated 8,000 homes or businesses served by Florida Power and Light (FPL) in the Sanford area remained without power.

Florida Power Corporation (FPC) listed 30,000 customers without electricity in all of Seminole County as of early this morning.

In all, FPL announced 145,000 outages in the St. Johns, Flagler, Volusia and Brevard Counties and portions of adjoining counties.

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Herald Photo by Tom Smith

Sanford Parks and Recreation Division employees Keith Acree and Gordon Hayes yesterday jumped on the cleanup around the Civic Center, after Erin's assault caused tree leaves and limbs to litter the ground.

After Erin: Tips for consumers

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Even though Sanford and Seminole County no longer are faced with the threat of Hurricane Erin, there is a possibility the area hasn't seen the last tropical disturbance of this hurricane season.

With that in mind, several organizations are issuing words of caution. They may still be appropriate following Erin, but should also be of concern after any subsequent storm.

The Florida Roofing, Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractor Association (FRSA) advises consumers to follow certain

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Left: The stripes, representing the 13 original colonies, became divided as the result of Hurricane Erin's winds early Wednesday morning. The 30 by 50-foot flag waves at Sanford's Memorial Park on the lakefront. The flag could not be taken down due to a jamming in the halyards. Special crews



Herald Photo by Tom Smith

are expected to arrive next week to lower the flag. Depending on the extent of the damage, it will either be repaired or replaced. Right: Jason Millsbaugh helps friends clean up the yard after Erin blew through.

No injuries in early morning Longwood fire

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — They say where there's smoke, there's fire.

And so it was at the Longwood Retirement Village in the early hours this morning.

A small fire in a dryer in the second floor laundry room caused the evacuation of about two dozen elderly residents.

According to Battalion Chief Michael Hockenberry of the Longwood Fire Department, the fire itself only took about two or three minutes to put out, but that the smoke was so thick that it was very difficult to see inside the residential area to remove the residents.

"But there were no injuries and no one was hurt," Hockenberry said.

The investigation is continuing into the cause of the fire, but fire officials did not find that it was suspicious in nature.

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While firefighters searched the facility at the Longwood Retirement Village after a fire, the residents relaxed under a magnolia tree and enjoyed the cool morning air.

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POLICE BRIEFS

Traffic stops

● Bernardo Ramirez-Pacheco, 26, of Osteen, was stopped by sheriff's deputies on SR-46 near Geneva Saturday. He was charged with driving under the influence, reckless driving, and having no driver license. He was also found to be wanted on a warrant for violation of probation on a previous conviction of driving under the influence.

● A semi-truck driven by Timothy Wade Lewis, 35, of Kentucky, was stopped by Lake Mary police on Interstate-4 Saturday. He was charged with driving under the influence, and possession/use of alcohol in a commercial vehicle.

● David Lynn Smith, 24, of Winter Springs, was stopped on Sanford Avenue by Sanford police Sunday. He was charged with driving while his license had been suspended five times.

● James Scott McDonald, 36, 120 Hidden Lake Drive, Sanford, was stopped on SR-46 near Geneva by deputies Saturday. He was found to be wanted on an Orange County warrant for solicitation to commit prostitution.

● John R. Scognamiglio, 30, 201 Arbor Circle, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police on E. Lake Mary Boulevard Saturday. He was charged with restriction violation of his driver's license, and resisting an officer without violence.

Warrants

● William Smith, 38, 3291 Sanford Avenue, was served a warrant at the John E. Polk Correctional Facility Saturday. He was found to be wanted on a Lake County warrant.

● Thomas M. Comisford, 39, of Lake Monroe, was located at Sanford and Grandview Avenues by Sanford police Friday. He was wanted for failing to appear on a Volusia County warrant for unlawfully making harassing telephone calls.

● Patrick Robinson, 28, 912 Pine Avenue, was located by Sanford police on W. 13th Street Thursday. He was wanted for violation of probation on one conviction of uttering a forged instrument, and three for convictions of possession of cocaine.

Assault

Sanford police report that Donald Ogleby, of Crescent City, was shot in the right hand Tuesday, at the Autotrain station between Sixth and Seventh streets. Police said Ogleby reportedly saw three black youths in the area, and told them to leave. He said one of them came up from behind him with a revolver, and fired a shot hitting him in the hand. The three subsequently fled from the area.

Burglaries

● A residence in the 100 block of Maplewood Drive in Sanford was reportedly burglarized Monday. A woman's purse containing a reported \$150 in cash and other items was said to have been taken.

● A vehicular burglary was reported Tuesday in the 800 block of W. 18th Street in Sanford. A 35 mm camera with a zoom lens and other items with a total value of \$550 were said to have been taken.

Vehicle thefts

● A rust and brown Buick, license number QWE-87B was reportedly stolen Monday from a residence in the 2400 block of Jefferson Court in Sanford.

● A white 1986 Oldsmobile, license number QYY-42V was reportedly stolen Monday at the intersection of 25th Street and Airport Boulevard.

● A 1989 Ford pickup, license number SWQ-81S was reportedly stolen Monday in the 200 block of Cedar Creek Circle.

Drive-in arrest

Shawn Andrew Whitaker, 22, of Casselberry, was arrested by Longwood police Monday. Officers were summoned when the clerk of a drive-up window at a restaurant on SR-424 reported a customer had driven up completely nude. Whitaker was charged with exposure of sexual organs.

Retail theft

Yvonne B. Vickey, 61, of Casselberry, was arrested by Sanford police Monday at a retail store in the 3800 block of S. Orlando Drive. Police said she had reportedly obtained a number of items in the store, but paid for only a few of them before leaving. Officers said the unpaid items were valued at \$104.93. She was charged with retail theft.

Drug arrest

Richard Scott, 20, of 4632 Gilbert Street, Lake Monroe, was arrested by deputies Monday, near Dunbar and McKay. Officers said they were responding to a call regarding a suspicious vehicle. Scott, reportedly the driver of the vehicle, was arrested for possession of cocaine, and possession of a suspended license.

Traffic stops

● Timothy Lamar Johnson, 26, 416 Lavann Landing, Lake Mary, was stopped by deputies on Center Street Monday. He was charged with being a habitual traffic offender, with his license reportedly having been suspended five times.

● Randy Eric Gillberry, 23, 810 Pecan Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by deputies at SR-46 and Oregon Avenue west of Sanford Monday. Deputies said the license tag was registered to a different vehicle and the sticker was for a mobile home. He was charged with having an illegal license plate.



Rites of summer

Mindy Duvall, left, enjoys fishing along Sanford's lakefront with her dad Wayne. Mindy is on a break from school until August 7. Some old-timers say a storm such as Hurricane Erin brings out the catfish. The Duvalls however, were only concerned with enjoying the company of family before summer vacation ends.

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Jobless claims fall by 51,000

Largest drop in a year; sign seasonal layoffs have ended

By JOHN D. McCLAIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The number of American workers filing first-time claims for jobless benefits fell by 51,000 last week, the largest drop in a year and the latest sign that seasonal layoffs had ended.

The Labor Department said today that new applications for unemployment insurance totaled a seasonally adjusted 321,000, down from 372,000 during the week ended July 22.

It was the biggest decline since a 57,000 drop during the week ended July 23, 1994, and pushed the level down to the lowest since 319,000 new claims were filed during the week ended last Feb. 4.

The number of new claims had jumped to 416,000 earlier this month, which analysts had attributed in part to layoffs in the auto industry due to model changeovers.

But economist Michael P. Niemira of Mitsubishi Bank in New York said that with the end of the auto plant shutdowns and their ripple effect on supplier industries, "production picked up in late July and layoffs receded."

However, analysts also point to pockets of weakness in the economy as it entered the third quarter. As a result, they expect the Labor Department will report on Friday that job growth in July totaled little more than 100,000, compared to 215,000 in June. The unemployment rate is expected to have risen to 5.7 percent, from 5.6 percent a month earlier.

The four-week moving average for claims also fell during the period ended last week, down 11,500 to 377,000.

Many analysts consider the four-week average a better gauge of job trends because it smooths out the spikes often seen in the weekly reports.

In the state data, 41 states and territories reported decreases in claims during the week ended July 22 and 12 registered increases. State figures are reported one week later than

national totals.

The largest increases were in Ohio, 3,932; Indiana, 3,423; Kansas, 2,457; Delaware, 1,580, and Missouri, 794.

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EDITORIAL

They're out there

Unsuspecting people are getting ripped off. Many people with damage to their homes are getting a knock on their door from persons identifying themselves as home-repair specialists. They give an estimate, usually lower than may have been expected, accept a down payment, then are never heard from again.

This isn't new. This kind of swindler is out there, and most prominent in times of emergencies such as a hurricane. They prey on homeowners, mostly elderly, who may still be reeling from the shock of a hurricane's damage.

In a time of stress, people become more willing to hand out several hundred dollars. After all, with our Central Florida rains being as common as mosquitoes, no one wants to suffer from a leaking roof or broken window. They want it repaired and as soon as possible.

There are a number of suggestions to avoid getting involved in this type of scam. First of all, no reliable repair service will require a down payment. They should prove they are registered with the state and/or county. A contract should be written, complete with the name and address of the repairman. (This should be checked to avoid misrepresentation).

Contractor's organizations should be contacted to assure the reputation of this person is in order, and that no complaints have been filed against his work.

One of the agencies which could prove valuable in determining whether or not a repair service is reputable is the Florida Roofing, Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors Association. They may be contacted by phoning (407) 871-3772, extension 100. They will be able to give advice on contractors in the Sanford/Seminole County area.

Above all, don't consummate a deal purely because you have been shaken by such problems as a hurricane, or because the amount of money requested seems like a better deal than you may have obtained elsewhere.

Have no doubt about it, this kind of individual is out there just looking for someone to hand over a few hundred dollars. They will take it and run, and you will find yourself as a victim, but you will still have the problems you sought to have corrected.

LETTER

Letter to a punk

On Thursday afternoon, July 20th while shopping in Food Lion, a punk had nothing better to do than walk by my beautiful car in the parking lot and squirt some kind of acid on two doors on one side. This acid ate off the clear seal and messed up my paint. Yes, my car can be fixed at a price. You (the punk) can never be fixed, you are sick.

If you could read, you would see from this letter what disgust and pity I feel for you. Disgust that you caused me grief for no reason, pity because your family didn't teach you respect for other people's property.

Someday someone will catch you destroying their property and you may pay a serious price for doing so.

As I said, my car can be fixed with time and money, but there's no hope for you.

Jessie R. Whitaker
Sanford

Berry's World



BEARDING THE GIANT

WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Lifting the Bosnian arms embargo

It's been a long time since this column visited the question of Bosnia, and events have proceeded steadily downhill in the interim. The human impulse is to do something about it, but reason responds: Do what?

Almost every outside organization with a spoon in the Bosnian pot has some ulterior motive. The United Nations saw the crisis as a golden opportunity to prove its relevance, at last, to something important. Instead, it has proved only what everybody already knew: that throwing your weight around doesn't work very well when you have no weight to throw.

To those concerned for the future of NATO after the Cold War, Bosnia looked like the perfect solution to the problem of what to do with all those suddenly surplus troops and weapons. But politicians in all the major Western nations (above all the United States) have had to cope with the fact that the voters are profoundly unwilling to risk the lives of their soldiers in an effort to impose peace on the unruly Balkans.

In the absence of anything that could plausibly be called a Clinton policy on the subject, the Senate last month went on record as favoring the unilateral lifting of this country of the embargo that has prevented the Bosnian Muslims from obtaining the arms they need to resist the Serbs.

The House is expected to follow suit.

In dealing with this can of worms, we should begin by restating the central principle that has historically governed American military interventions abroad: There must be a vital national interest at stake before we risk American lives. We have no such vital interest in the outcome in Bosnia. Certainly the fact that liberal hysterics like Anthony Lewis can't bear what they see on CNN is no reason for our armed intervention.

That being the case, why not lift the embargo, confine ourselves to sending humanitarian aid to both sides, and let them fight it out? Those who oppose lifting the embargo insist



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that doing so would just make matters worse. Some predict that the Serbs would attack the "U.N." (i.e., mostly British and French) troops, or hold them hostage to keep arms from reaching the Muslims. But those who would lift the embargo stress that the U.N. forces would be withdrawn first. True, that would require the United States to live up to Mr. Clinton's reckless pledge to commit up to 25,000 American ground forces to help extricate the U.N. forces if necessary -- thus (say the critics) producing the very result Americans most want to avoid: ground involvement in Bosnia.

But that is slyly dishonest, because the involvement would last only long enough to extricate the U.N. forces, who after all are mostly our NATO allies. It would not -- repeat, not -- drag the United States into an ongoing ground war.

Then there are those, like New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman, who argue that lifting the embargo "will only trigger a heavier Serbian onslaught against the Muslims, which they will only be able to resist in the short term with the help of direct Western military intervention." Does Friedman think the Serbs have thus far been pulling their punches? The Muslims evidently don't; they want the embargo lifted so they can at last begin to fight.



SARA ECKEL

Newt, Bob could nix delegation

Our leaders in Congress are morally opposed to sending U.S. delegates to China for the United Nations' Fourth World Conference on Women this September. The imprisonment by the Chinese of Harry Wu, an American human rights activist, has so outraged House Speaker Newt Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole that they have asked President Clinton to cancel U.S. participation in the women's rights conference "as long as Harry Wu is detained in China."

Refusing all diplomatic and economic contact with a nation because they have detained one of your own is a fair enough action. The problem is, Gingrich and Dole don't want to suspend all diplomatic and economic ties to China. Both Republican leaders believe we should continue to grant China Most Favored Nation status.

"I would not for a moment withdraw Most Favored Nation status" from China, Gingrich said on "Meet the Press" a few weeks after Wu's detention on June 19.

"The more American businessmen and women are in China, the more American tourists are in China, the more the Chinese learn about freedom and the more pressure from their own people to change the country," he said.

But the more delegates to a women's conference... well, those aren't the kind of Americans Gingrich is talking about.

Now I realize exposing Newt Gingrich as a hypocrite is a journalistic feat roughly akin to exposing O.J. Simpson as a bad date. And if this were the only time members of Congress had shown a hesitance in this arena, we could possibly give them the benefit of the doubt. But Congress' squeamishness with international women's rights did not begin with Harry Wu.

When the U.S. delegates go to Beijing this September -- if the U.S. delegates go to Beijing this September -- one might expect the Americans to assume the role of big sister, helping less developed nations improve their women's rights records.

So you would think that the United States would be a great source of inspiration to the women of countries such as Brazil, Bangladesh, Malaysia and Iraq. But the strange thing is, those countries have all ratified the Women's Convention. The United States hasn't.

In fact, more than three-quarters of the United Nations' member states have ratified the Women's Convention. The United States is one of only three industrialized countries in the world and the only country in the Western Hemisphere that has failed to take this step.

President Carter signed the agreement in 1980. Then it went to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Where it sat. And now, with Jesse Helms in charge of the Foreign Relations Committee, hope is pretty much shot. Let's face it, the North Carolina Republican would sooner have tea with Robert Mapplethorpe than lift a finger for women's rights.

The countries that have ratified the Women's Convention are voluntarily subjecting themselves to appraisal by international and nongovernmental organizations. They have made a pledge to improve the status of women in their countries. Many have a lot of work to do. The United States, with its enviable equal rights and opportunities laws, could serve as a moral authority for the world. It wouldn't take much. But it would mean that Newt and Bob and Jesse would have to state publicly that women, all women, have rights. Don't hold your breath.



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WRITER'S BLOCK

Rain and the art of conversation

Tuesday's Hurricane Erin blew into Seminole County and the surrounding areas with high winds and relatively little rain. She got downgraded to a tropical storm. Talk about keeping a woman in her place.

But how exciting it all was Wednesday a.m. as I left my home in Deltona for my morning constitutional at 6:40 a.m. My greyhound, Kirov, and "Heinz 57" mutt, Pudgy, never let me lie in. So, off into the high winds and rain we charged.

Just before I left, the power went out, which didn't bother us. Looking up at the slate sky, gray clouds moving along rapidly, seeming to whisper, "Hey we're on our way outta here." I felt in tune with the world. My step seemed lighter as we traversed our normal pathways, each of us sniffing the stormy air, albeit at different levels.

I love storms, wind and rain; I tire of the perpetual Florida sun. Must be my New York genes.

The wind blowing and rattling around my too small raincoat felt cool and delicious. It was impossible to hold aloft an umbrella to keep one's head dry, but it was wonderful getting my hair sopping wet. I felt I was back in merry old England where the cool, damp air keeps an English complexion like peaches and cream.

The storm reminded me of that great old standard, "Stormy Weather," which I hummed as we picked our way over fallen branches. The dogs, intent upon the delicious smells emanating from the wet earth, were oblivious to my tune.

Coming down Aladdin Street, a man stood framed in his carport, looking like a totem pole. He called out, "Your power out?" As I proceeded, people were gingerly coming out of their houses to see what damage had been wrought by the storm.

Rounding the last bend home, I noticed some of my neighbors out on their awales communicating with each other. What a great sight, people conversing, instead of being locked into their insular little havens.

This propelled my musings on how much we've lost over the years. I remember being a kid of the '50s; I lived on a block where everyone came out of their houses on a summer's evening and talked with each other. Kids played, dogs barked, adults kibbitted.

It seems each decade throttles us further ahead with all kinds of technological advances



DIANA GILLANDERS

STAFF WRITER

which seem to isolate us even more. I'm all for progress but we have lost "our neighborhoods." The art of conversation is dying a slow death. Everyone is locked into their homes with VCRs, TVs, stereophonic sound, computers hurling the user into cyberspace, rendering the user less verbal, more isolated.

The English language is rich and varied. Go into any pub in Great Britain and especially Ireland, where the language is revered and spoken with great relish. The art of conversation is alive and well there. Communication with a kindred spirit augmented by a pint of the local brew one hears the accents, the local colloquialisms rendering the English language (excuse the pun) in all its majesty. To paraphrase Professor Higgins in "My Fair Lady," "in America, they haven't spoken it in years."

I know I won't convince anyone of turning off their TVs, etc. (I'm also guilty of watching too many movies on the VCR) but my mind returns to my last trip to London, to a rainy day and dashing into a Polish restaurant which was recommended. The stuffed cabbage and Polish pilsner were terrific. I sat next to a dashing old rake in a beret, smoking one of those strong, unfiltered cigarettes. He immediately engaged me in conversation, about his days during the war as a Polish exile in wartime Britain. He asked deep, penetrating questions about America. He made me reach back into rusty conversational skills and describe my feelings about growing up in America.

Ah, stormy weather, let the "raindrops keep fallin'" on my head."

NATIONAL BRIEFS



Preserving family planning program

WASHINGTON — One freshman Republican lawmaker-physician wanted to preserve the government's main family planning program. Another wanted to end it.

Together, Reps. Greg Ganske of Iowa and Dave Weldon of Florida reflected the division of the House Wednesday night as lawmakers voted narrowly to keep alive a program that was born in the 1970s and funneled \$193 million last year to clinics around the country.

Ganske, a plastic surgeon, told the House that dismantling the program would "leave my district without adequate access" to needed services. In addition, he said, "none of these funds can be used to perform or counsel abortion."

But Weldon, who came to Congress last January from his medical practice in Florida, said the program had been a "dismal failure," with the teen-age pregnancy rate higher than it was, venereal disease up, and unwanted pregnancies up.

Suspect extradited for trial

WASHINGTON — A Jordanian national is being brought from the Middle East to New York for trial on charges of participating in the 1993 World Trade Center bombing there, according to a government official.

The man is named in a federal indictment that officials plan to unseal today in New York, the official said.

The man was extradited to the United States by Jordan and was being flown aboard a U.S. government aircraft to an airfield near New York City, the official said Wednesday night, speaking only on condition of anonymity.

In Jordan, Justice Minister Hisham Tal identified the suspect as Iyad Mahmoud Ismail Nijm, 24, a resident of Jerash refugee camp, the third largest Palestinian refugee center in the kingdom.

Interior Ministry sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Nijm was a Palestinian who lived in Kuwait until the 1990 Iraqi invasion of the emirate.

Concern over Chinese capabilities

WASHINGTON — Public attention to Sino-American relations has focused recently on disputes over Taiwan, trade and human rights, obscuring somewhat U.S. concern over China's growing military potential.

While China is not yet a full-blown U.S. adversary, the Pentagon has been increasingly wary about Chinese capabilities.

Earlier this year, Defense officials simulated a war game with China in which American naval vessels were pitted against Chinese land-based missiles. The U.S. side lost.

China in recent years has been reducing the size of its military forces while increasing investment in weapons systems. And the United States is eager to learn the results — as the case involving the arrests of two American Air Force officers last weekend attests.

China says the two, Air Force liaison officer Joseph Wei Chan and a subordinate, Dwayne Howard Florenzie, got caught photographing and videotaping military zones in southeast China.

New twist to Social Security

WASHINGTON — Congress is weighing legislation that would let working Americans invest some of their Social Security taxes in private retirement accounts in a bid to strengthen confidence in the system and improve the incomes of 21st century retirees.

Experts say there are both risks and benefits to allowing people to divert even a small share of Social Security's payroll taxes into private retirement funds.

Workers who invest wisely, they told Sen. Alan Simpson at a hearing Wednesday, could reap far greater returns than those who depend solely on Social Security.

But, skeptics said, not everyone will invest wisely. And the families of those who die early or are disabled may not have saved enough to keep their families out of poverty and off welfare.

Faint dots may cast dark shadow

LOS ANGELES — O.J. Simpson's attorneys are counting on faint dots to cast a dark shadow over the prosecution's case.

Unleashing its most powerful evidence yet, the defense elicited testimony from a DNA expert that faded little dots on DNA test strips may signal widespread contamination in the police crime lab.

The dots, Denver microbiologist John Gerdes told jurors Wednesday, could show that Simpson's blood seeped into samples of his alleged victims' blood, and that a prosecution scientist was wrong in saying victim Ronald Goldman's blood likely was in Simpson's Bronco.

The testimony goes to the heart of the defense case: that Simpson was victimized by sloppy police lab work by incompetent technicians, and possibly framed by police officers hoping to nab a celebrity.

Punch in the gut

WASHINGTON — To the four or five long-distance company lobbyists, the words came like a punch in the gut. The historic rewrite of communications law they had labored over for months, the bill that had received a 38-5 bipartisan vote in committee, was being reworked in private by House Speaker Newt Gingrich and his top lieutenants.

Rep. Thomas Bliley, R-Va., the Commerce Committee chairman, read from a sheet of talking points at the July 13 meeting as he described the changes, many of which would favor the regional Bell telephone operating companies — business enemies of the long-distance industry.

"When we got close to victory, there was an 800-pound gorilla," said Marlin Fitzwater, the former White House spokesman who is a lobbyist for a coalition that includes long-distance carriers AT&T, MCI and Sprint.

WORLD BRIEFS



Little hope for peaceful solution

ZAGREB, Croatia — With tens of thousands of Croatian troops poised to attack rebel Serb-held territory, there was little hope the two sides would reach a peaceful solution at talks in Geneva today.

Croatia has mobilized 100,000 soldiers for a possible multi-pronged attack on the Croatian Serb rebels, who have 50,000 men primed for battle. U.N. spokesman Chris Guinness said Wednesday.

Another U.N. source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said groups of up to 200 Croatian government soldiers each, with mortars and artillery, had been seen moving along the 750-mile separation zone between the two sides.

Croatia also has troops along the Adriatic coast that could thrust eastwards into Serb-held territory. Combined with Croatian troops that crossed into southwestern Bosnia late last month, the Croats are positioned to launch a pincer movement to cut off Knin, the Croatian Serbs' self-styled capital near the Bosnian border.

From Associated Press reports

Lake Mary meeting focuses on budget

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

LAKE MARY — An early city commission workshop meeting has been called for tonight. The main item to be discussed is the 1995/96 fiscal year budget. It is expected much of the discussion will deal with the results of Tuesday's city-wide referendum vote regarding a proposed \$4.5 million community improvement project.

The workshop is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m., with the regular meeting scheduled for 7 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible.

As of earlier this week, the following items were listed on the regular meeting agenda:

- Call to order — Pledge of Allegiance, approval of minutes.
- Citizen Participation
- Special presentations (none listed)
- Reports of City Manager (see below)
- Reports of mayor, commissioners, city attorney
- Ordinance 758 — 2nd reading — Annexing property into the city, Waymont Development Corp., applicant (quasi-judicial)
- Ordinance 759 — 2nd reading — Future land use amendment for property being annexed, Waymont Development Corp., applicant (quasi-judicial)
- Ordinance 760 — 2nd reading

— Second amendment to Lennar planned unit development, Manderly subdivision, Lennar Homes, applicant. (quasi-judicial).

• Ordinance 761 — 2nd reading — Amending Ordinance 584, creating sign area limitations for properties abutting Lake Emma Road and Rinehard Road.

• Consideration — Request for preliminary PUD (planned urban development) for 12.88 acres located south of Lake Mary Boulevard, west of Longwood-Lake Mary Road, Waymont Development Corp., applicant (quasi-judicial).

• Ordinance 762 — 1st reading — Amending ordinance 241, providing for adult entertainment uses in M-2A zoning district.

• Ordinance 763 — 1st reading — Creating new adult entertainment code.

• Ordinance 764 — 1st reading — Amending landscape and arbor regulations.

• Resolution 517 — Accepting improvements in Woldunn subdivision.

• Setting of proposed fiscal year 1996 budget, proposed millage rate, current year rolled-back rate, setting date, time and place of tentative budget hearing.

• Adjournment

As of earlier this week, the following items were listed on the city manager's report:

- Request commission direction on Chamber of Commerce request for \$3,000.
- Request commission direction on refund to Holy Cross regarding tent permit.

• Request commission appoint citizen to fill vacancy on Local Planning Agency (LPA).

• Request commission direction on use of Lake Mary assigned radio frequency by City of Sanford, and to declare certain

radios and associated equipment surplus.

• Request commission authorize city manager to contract with Collection Information Bureau for collection agency services.

• Consideration — Proposed turn lanes on Rinehart Road.

• Report — 1995 summer recreation program.

The Lake Mary commission workshop and regular meeting will be held in the commission chambers of Lake Mary City Hall, 100 N. Country Club Road.

The priest leaves a son, and the bishop challenges Rome

By SUE LEBMAN
Associated Press Writer

DUBLIN, Ireland — To the world, the late Michael Cleary was an ebullient priest with bushy hair and a graying beard, a firm supporter of the church's teachings on birth control, divorce, abortion and priestly celibacy.

To Phyllis Hamilton, Cleary was a lover, a husband, and the father of her two sons.

To this devoutly Roman Catholic nation, reading Ms. Hamilton's claims in a Sunday tabloid, Cleary seems to be just one more fallible priest. People are increasingly questioning the church's enforcement of an 850-year-old rule barring the clergy from marrying.

"It is not humanly possible to remain celibate — even animals don't do it," said Rosemary Scott, 50, who met the popular, chain-smoking cleric at a retreat 15 years ago. "The church must move with the times."

Many agree. In a poll published in The Irish Times on Tuesday, three-quarters of the respondents said priests should be allowed to marry. Nearly 90 percent wanted a national synod to debate the issue.

Even before Dublin's Sunday World published Ms. Hamilton's claims in June, the Bishop of Ferns, Brendan Comiskey, was urging the Irish church to openly discuss priestly celibacy. Two other bishops supported him.

But Cardinal Cahal Daly, the traditionalist leader of Ireland's Catholics, publicly rebuked Comiskey. And the Vatican has summoned him this month to explain himself.

Comiskey is unrepentant. "What are we to do, stay silent, as another scandal breaks almost every Sunday?" he asked.

The Irish church is not free to change the rules on its own, but a synod would add to pressure on the Vatican by churches in Austria, Switzerland, Belgium, the Netherlands and the United States.

Cleary's family vehemently denies Ms. Hamilton's story, but her psychiatrist — with her permission — has said Cleary admitted it all to him.

Ms. Hamilton was a 17-year-old trainee nurse when she met Cleary at a concert in Dublin just before Christmas 1967. He was 37, working with young pregnant women and making his name as a singer and entertainer.

Within months, he "suggested that we make marriage vows with each other," explaining that "in the time before Jesus... this was all that was required for a man and woman to become husband and wife," the Sunday World quoted her as saying.

The Catholic Press Office has confirmed that church authorities had heard rumors about Cleary, but didn't want to confront him while he was gravely ill with throat cancer. He died Dec. 31, 1993, at age 60.

Ms. Hamilton, 45, is refusing to grant interviews while she works with Sunday World reporter Paul Williams on a book, "Secret Love," due out in September.

In the Sunday World stories,

she said Cleary arranged for the adoption of their first son, born in 1970. On Nov. 3, 1978, she had a second son, Ross, and the three set up house.

Ross has said he is willing to submit to a DNA test to back his mother's story.

In 1985, Ms. Hamilton had a daughter. She says the father was a trainee priest who knew about her relationship with Cleary, and blackmailed her for sex.

Critics of the celibacy rule argue that it drives some priests from the ministry, and discourages young people from seeking ordination.

The number of new parish priests in Ireland has dropped from 90 in 1980 to 62 last year.



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How to care for coronary spasm



MEDICINE

PETER GOTT, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please explain what a coronary artery spasm is. I'm 70 and was diagnosed two years ago. I've been told I should take better care of myself, such as eating a low-fat diet and walking two miles a day. Did the fact that I had a bout with diarrhea and became dehydrated bring on the spasm?

DEAR READER: When the heart muscle is deprived of oxygen, chest pain usually results. Doctors call this "infarction" if partial death of cardiac muscle results from a blood clot within a coronary artery. This is diagnosed by blood tests and cardiograms.

On the other hand, if the cardiac muscle has not been permanently damaged -- for example, if the muscle were temporarily deprived of oxygen because of arterial spasm -- the patient will suffer the pain of angina.

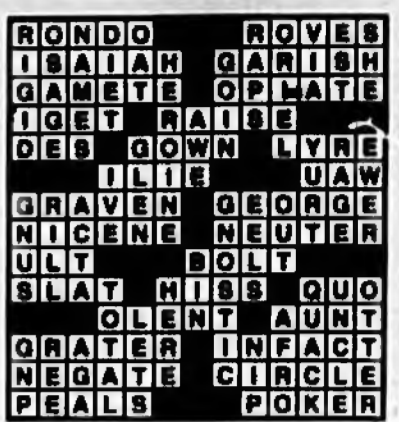
Although not a cause of infarction (heart attack), angina is serious, because it is a warning of potential, lethal heart damage in the future. This is the reason why doctors aggressively treat angina with nitrates, beta-blockers, aspirin, and other drugs.

Your doctor apparently was concerned that your attack(s) of angina was caused by spasm of a coronary artery. He properly advised you to exercise more and watch your diet. However, in my view, he should do more. At the very least, you need one or more of the medicines I mentioned. (And, naturally, stop smoking if you use tobacco.)

Should your chest pain continue despite this therapy, I believe that you will need a special type of X-ray, called "coronary angiography." This test will enable specialists to determine if you have a significant amount of arteriosclerotic plaque that may contribute to angina, as well as causing partial arterial blockage. In many cases,

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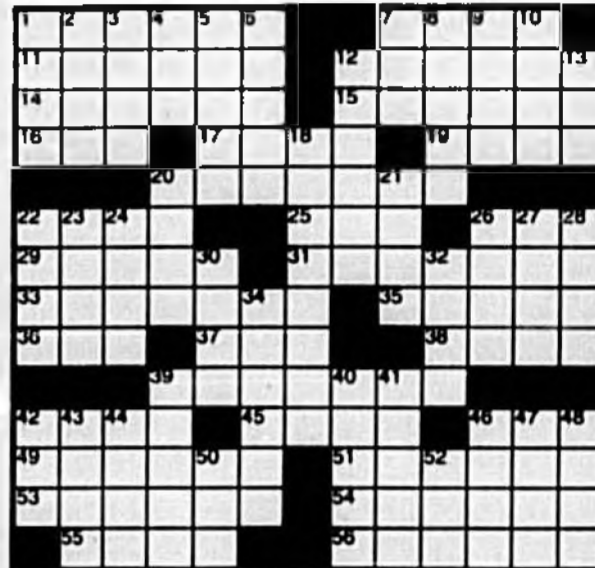


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- 40 Theater passage
- 41 Small island
- 42 Start of a cheer
- 43 Gravel ridges
- 44 Large-mouthed pot
- 46 Million (pref.)
- 47 Level
- 48 Small lake
- 50 Sault — Marie
- 52 Anglo-Saxon letter

WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

Having spent the first 34 years and three days of my life in England, I sometimes unwittingly sneak a word or expression into these articles that isn't in use on this side of the Atlantic. Luckily I have a good editor who weeds them out. However, sometimes I think my word is more colorful than the American substitute. For example, who or what do you think a "plonker" is?

After a simple auction to three no-trump, West led his fourth-highest spade. Seeing nine easy tricks (two spades, two hearts and five diamonds), South won trick one with his jack, played a diamond to dummy's queen and cashed the diamond ace. East's club discard was a major shock.

How could South get back to his hand to take the marked diamond finesse? Answer: With

competent defense, he couldn't. South tried the effect of leading the club jack from the dummy, but East went up with the ace and returned his second spade. When South played low, West accurately inserted the eight.

South couldn't do better than try dummy's two top hearts, but the queen didn't drop. With a resigned shrug, South cashed dummy's diamond queen and conceded two down.

"Everything was wrong," observed South.

"Not really," replied North. "Just put up dummy's spade queen at trick one. Then you have a guaranteed hand entry in spades to take the diamond finesse."

"Oh, yes, of course." South felt so stupid -- a complete plonker!

Phillip Alder's new book, "Get Smarter at Bridge," is available,

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HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bede Osol
YOUR BIRTHDAY
Aug. 4, 1995

In the year ahead, your lack of self-esteem might be replaced by boldness and courage. As your daring increases, so will your successes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You will be the one who can help guide or complete a worthwhile endeavor that someone started but never finished. Volunteer your services today and proceed. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today could be the day when you get a chance to reciprocate with a friend who has come through for you several times in the past when the chips were down.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You may finally achieve a material payoff today that has been unduly long in coming. Others will share in your joy in what you'll receive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you've been down on yourself lately, today's developments will turn things around. You will see that others care more than you imagined.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Victory will be yours today if you are persistent and consistent. The winner won't be announced until the final stage, so keep trying.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you don't have anything nice to say about friends today, say nothing at all. Pals who talk when they shouldn't will later regret not emulating you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Using both your reasoning and your intuitive faculties today, you could accomplish a feat that appears impossible to most.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Backing up your conceptions

with actions will demonstrate to others that you know what you're talking about. Next time they won't be so hard to convince.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Generally speaking, your probabilities for success look good today because you'll see things for what they truly are and do the doable.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A difficult development can be handled successfully today owing to your cooperative spirit. You can establish the ground rules.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An elder associate might offer you suggestions today on how to achieve a goal you thought was unattainable. Listen carefully; this person has the know-how.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Once again, you might have to deal with an individual who has a chip on his shoulder. Draw upon your personal past experience to handle this person.

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Of timeless treasures

Antiques
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By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

You're not old, you're antique; one man's trash is another man's treasure; it's not clutter, it's country. These are just some of the phrases that refer to, or were spawned from, the hobby, and sometime addiction, of collecting antiques. My favorite is one I recently saw in a home decor store. It was emblazoned on your choice of T-shirt or baseball cap and read "Genuine Antique Person." I had to stop and think about that for a moment. From my point of view, it referred to someone genuinely interested in antiques, but it could also mean that the person wearing the hat or shirt was genuinely old.

I guess I caught the collecting bug early in life, perpetuated by a mother and a neighbor who loved to go "junking." But it didn't stop there. I had an aunt and uncle who spent most of

their free time trekking through backwoods searching for the remnants of old homesteads and the garbage dumps they generated. Waiting there to be unearthed was the rare and wonderful medicine bottle, preferably ones once closed with a cork stopper, but lids of tin lined with milk glass were also desirable. The same aunt and uncle also started a collection for me of Bing and Grondahl Christmas plates, then affordable, but now out of reach on a family budget. When I married and set up my own home, my mother passed along a piece of blue Depression glass she collected for me in her own search for pink pieces. There was also a collection of dolls, mostly contributed by the loving neighbor who scoured the antique and junk shops of Fort Lauderdale.

All of this, plus the influence of a Southern upbringing, set me up to develop collections of my own, of pineapples and

lighthouses, and a penchant for "country" decorating. This seemed to be the trend for many new homemakers in the early 1980s. Suddenly, country decorating was all the rage and along with it a renewed interest in antiques. And an obvious spin-off of the quest for obtaining the unobtainable prized antique is collecting something new as an investment for the future.

Every town worth its salt has at least one antique shop and one collectibles store. The definition and content of the said antique store can vary by the level of income and sophistication of the region in which it is located, but the fever with which it is shopped remains the same. Whether the item sought is a Louis XIV chair or a Steiff bear, the prospective owner is as ardent in his or her acquisition, and as thrilled with the find, regardless of the price of the piece. For some, it is just the joy of browsing that draws them to the shops and flea markets of this land. For many, it is a chance to glimpse another time and place, and as long as you do not touch, it doesn't cost you anything to look.

Both of my daughters are well on their way to **See Treasures, Page 3**



Antique addicts

By NIKKI REAGAN
Herald Correspondent

Super-sleuthing antique addicts have quietly slipped into our midst. It is generally believed the Baby Boomers are behind this new mind numbing addiction; the boomers, after all, have been responsible for so many now mainstream trends. Hondas, Volvos and (eek!) even to u. No matter; for what ever the cause of this antique epidemic-Sanford has got a "fix" for all you antique "junkies".

Downtown, in our snoozy little burg, have sprung up some of the most lovely, quaint antique shops in central Florida. These shops have cleverly been opened all along First Street, to provide the seriously addicted antique shopper with an entire day's euphoria! All the equipment bargain hunters need is a checkbook, credit cards and a sturdy pair of sneakers. The antique buyers route along First Street includes several restaurants and pubs-they cannot live by antiques alone!

How do you spot an antique addict? There seem to be three basic types of antique addicts. (It must be stressed that these people are not truly dangerous-unless you are standing between the addict and an appealing antique.) Listed below are handy clues to help you spot the seriously antique addicted.

Starry-eyed cruiser

This type of antique afflicted maybe the easiest to spot and also the most potentially dangerous. The Cruiser appears to drift on clouds, eyes glazed and wide open as if in a trance. They ramble around the shop with a silly smile and frequently mutter "ooh," "ahhh," "Isn't that lovely?" These hopelessly addicted are truly sad-they will pay any price for their antiques. Beauty is the drawing card for them. The Starry Eyed Cruiser is in their own little world, they are known to drift right into you, mumble apologies and leave bruises and bumps in their wake.

By-the-book-bargain browsers

Steely-eyed with an antique catalog guide clutched in one fist, this antique hunter means business. The By-the-book browser is determined to get the best price on their purchase and go strictly by the book value. This type of antique addict is relatively harmless, unless they attempt to walk while reading their guide books-then give them a wide berth!

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You can find enough bears for a picnic at this downtown Sanford shop.

Just the 'bear' facts about collectible bears

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

Please bear in mind, that while collectible bears have become very popular in the last part of this century, this bearly scratches the surface of the bear facts about collectible bears!

The fact of the matter is that, according to the Steiff catalog, the Germany company started by Margarete Steiff dates back to the 1800s. The first Steiff catalog appeared approximately 100 years ago, and the "button in the ear" bears have been popular with collectors ever since.

While Steiff is a well-known and respected name in the plush industry, there are several other manufacturers whose creations are popular because of their affordability, two being Boyd and Gund. The Steiff reputation, and price, attracts the "serious" collector, but one dealer says Boyd's product is "cute and well made." Margarete Steiff wrote in her catalog, "for children,

only the best is good enough," but this also applies to adults who are the bulk of the toy's collectors.

With the popularity of this type of collection growing, another facet of the industry has developed. Custom made or "artist" bears are popular at arts and crafts shows and in shops. But don't expect these treasures to come cheaply. The prices of these bears, or other woodland creatures, can be high because of the types of fabrics used. Expect to see suede paw "pads" used on some of the better made bears.

Also bear in mind that size has nothing to do with the price. There are many factors that determine the value of a collectible bear: some of the most expensive are the smallest, fully-jointed and made of fine materials.

A friendly bear can be left as is, or dressed in lace and fineness, posed and placed in the home decor, becoming part of the family. Once you've purchased one, you'll find you can bearly wait to get another!

A glowing example of 'magic' glass

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

One of the constant challenges in the acquisition of antiques is verification of the authenticity of the piece, be it period furniture, a handmade doll or a piece of china.

Collectors of Vaseline glass don't have to have this worry as long as they are armed with a portable "black light."

The yellow-green glass, commonly named for its similarity in color to petroleum jelly, magically changes to an almost fluorescent green when

subjected to the rays of ultraviolet light. It is the one sure way to determine the authenticity of a piece of Vaseline glass.

The property that causes this remarkable change is the presence of uranium oxide in the ingredients of the glass. The amount is small, about two percent, but "the light's strong flow of electron's has an unsettling effect on the relatively unstable uranium atom," says Jay L. Glickman, author of "Yellow-Green Vaseline! A Guide to The Magic Glass."

Glickman has been collecting Vaseline glass for more than 30 years and has poured all of his knowledge of the glass into his book. Not only does he give a history lesson of the glass that can be traced back to 79 A.D., but the reader will get a chemistry lesson as well, on the properties of

uranium.

Vaseline glass was in its height of popularity during the Victorian period (1860-1890). Glickman speculates that its popularity was due in a large part to the way Victorian home were lighted.

"Victorian lighting was almost exclusively by kerosene or gas light, soft light easily absorbed by the prevalent dark wall and floor decor," Glickman says. "Under such soft light, the yellow-green of Vaseline glass actually seems to glow to the human eye."

The term "Vaseline" glass is a relatively new "label," Glickman says. He states that there is no record of the use of that name to describe the glass prior to the 1950s. A more accurate name would be uranium glass and Glickman says that museum directors argue that the term, used

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Treasure—

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following in their mother's footsteps, with collections started for them at birth. And they will surely inherit the drop front desk passed on to me by my paternal grandmother, originally purchased with Octagon soap coupons, or the oak sideboard, from my maternal grandmother that exactly matches the oak dining table that was in the home of my husband's grandparents.

I am sure that we will, at sometime, reach a point where collecting anything will be considered gluttony. A time when less is more, pared down by the sparse realities of living in a future world. But for now, the pastime of collecting, antiques and otherwise, seems to be in no danger of dimishing.

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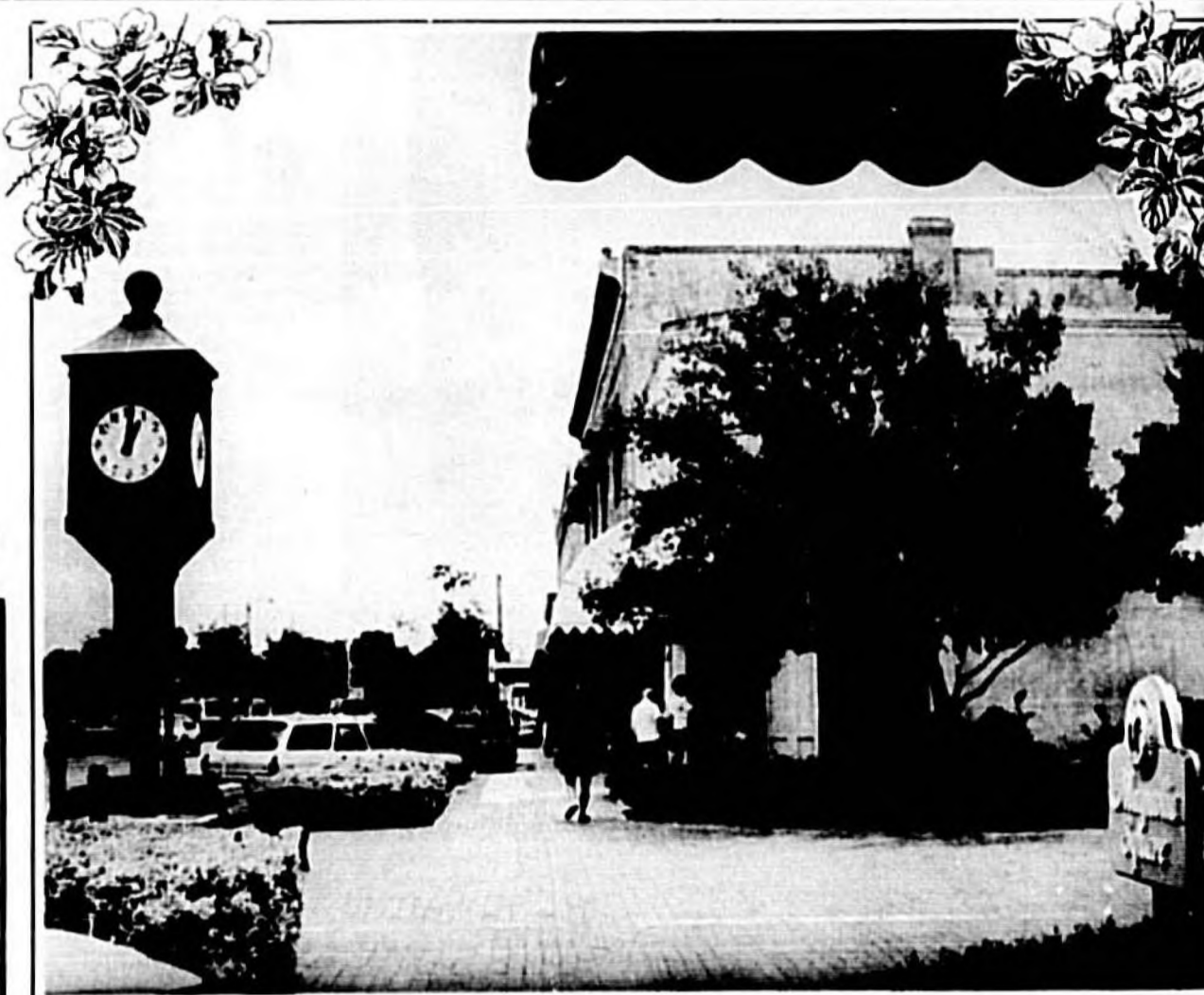
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There are several shops in the central downtown Sanford display it against a black light. Florida area that carry a good selection of Vaseline glass. One shop in

Vaseline

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primarily in England is the right name. While Vaseline glass could continue to be produced in large quantities today, it is unlikely that it will be because of the restrictions on the use of uranium. Therefore, regardless if

Vaseline glass is old, from the Victorian era, or as new as pieces produced in the post-World War II period, Vaseline glass will continue to grow in value. "By far the greatest barometer of value is scarcity rather than age," Glickman says.



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Collecting a colorful tradition

Humble Depression era glass has come a long way

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Twice a year, the scene inside the Sanford Civic Center could easily be compared to the activity of a beehive, with busy shoppers coming and going, milling around from booth to booth, admiring the wares of the vendors at the Sanlando Depression Era Glass Show and Sale.

In the building, there is a buzz of constant conversation. Then, from the center of the building comes the distinct, and sickening, sound of glass shattering on the hard terrazzo floor. For a split second, all is quiet, then a collective sigh emanates from all corners.

Another show is off to a good start, but often as not, more than one piece of collectible glass "falls" victim to the effects of

You will see things (at the show) that you won't see anywhere else

-Millie Downey

gravity.

Depression glass is a term used to describe a colored glassware that was machine mass-produced in the 1930s and 1940s and given away by movie theaters and gasoline stations, or in boxes of soap powder, as premiums to increase product sales or attendance. Sets could easily be assembled by a frugal homemaker because pieces sold for as little as five and ten cents. Because the process of making glass by machine often left bubbles showing, manufacturers used

dolor and patterns to conceal imperfections. Colors ranged from deep blue to light pink, with pattern names such as Miss America or Cabbage Rose.

Many of today's collectors started with one piece found in grandmother's cupboard, and then began to search local junk stores and flea markets for more and different pieces. One collector, who has been collecting since the late 50s, said she could still get the pieces for pennies back then. Today, though, it is an entirely different story. Depression glass came into popularity as a collectible in the 1980s. Prices for the collectible glass can reach thousands of dollars for the really elusive pieces. Pieces that are the hardest to find are generally kitchen items, such as butter



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Martha and Sandi McCutcheon admire etched glass stemware.

dishes and sugar bowls that saw daily use and were likely to be broken. Lids for any item always draw a premium price. But new collections can be started with pieces moderately priced in comparison with other antiques. There is definitely investment value in the glass; most of the dealers at the show buy and sell pieces and collections.

Though the Sanford show is small in comparison to many of the country's shows, says Millie Downey, organizer of the show, it is one of the best in the quality of merchandise and prices. Martha Dervish, of the Land of Sunshine Depression Glass Club, in Orlando, said, "you will see things (at the show) that you won't see anywhere else." Downey

says almost 3000 people will attend the September and January three day shows.

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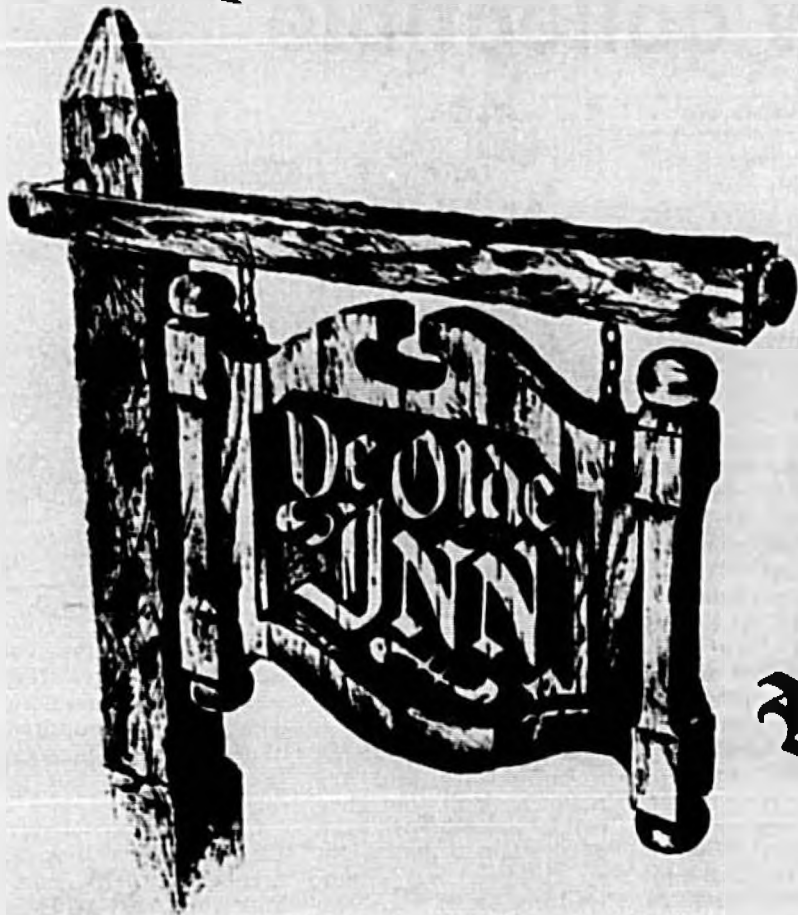
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Antiques: 'Q' & 'A'

Nothing seems too trivial or commonplace to escape the serious collector. Even gardeners have learned there are many antiques related to their field of interest.

A few pioneer collectors are now buying old sprinklers, hose holders, lawn mowers and watering cans. Large garden "Furniture," such as benches and statques are now classed with the decorative arts, and 100-year-old metal or marble statues sell for thousands of dollars.

Birdhouses, fountains, trellises, gates, larger planter boxes and other architectural features for a yard are in short supply and much demand and also bring high prices.

But does anyone collect small trowels or claw-shaped hand cultivators? They have changed little in the past 100 years. Many are still made with wooden handles and steel blades.

Q. The front of my Lucky Dime register bank has four pillars in a design pressed in the metal. A window on the right totals the dollars and cents saved inside.

A. The Lucky Dime register bank was patented May 4, 1937. Earlier versions have "Patent Pending" on the front.

The bank locked when the first dime went in, then unlocked when it was filled with 85.

The banks, which are found painted

black and brown, plain or blue and red are worth from 825 to 835.

Q. A label inside my piano reads, "P.A. Starck Piano Co."

A. The Starck Piano Co. had its factory in Chicago. It made Starckette & Kenmore pianos and Jesse French pianos. It was established in 1891, and went out of business in 1965.

Q. My brother found a small case that opens like a book. On the inside are the words "Littlefield, Parsons & Co., Sole Manufacturers of Union Cases with Embracing Riveted Hinge, Patented Oct. 14, 1856."

A. You have a case that once held a daguerreotype, which was an early type of photograph. The picture was produced on a thin metal sheet.

By the 1840s, jewelers and casemakers began making cases for the "new" picture. Wooden cases were the most common.

Union cases were invented in 1853. They were made by heating a mixture of ground sawdust, shellac and color. The resulting Zplastic material was pressed into dies, which gave the cases a relief design.

Littlefield, Parsons was one of many companies that made union cases. It did have the patent on the Embracing

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Rubber stamps: The new collectible

Special to the Herald

People of all ages swear that they only had to do it once before they were hooked.

They are extremely popular in California. There are stores selling them in virtually every shopping center.

These people and many others are crazy about rubber stamps.

They are making Christmas cards, gift tags, thank you notes, birth announcements, wedding invitations, bookmarks and more.

Now, we're not talking about the ho-hum wooden handled rubber stamps you'd order at an office supply store with the boss's signature on it, or one that stamps "Paid." No, we're talking about artistic rubber stamps with flowers, butterflies, hummingbirds, manatees, carousel horses, hot air balloons, environmental messages, birthday, paw prints, dogs and cats, World War II planes, Mickey Mouse...we could go on and on. Even Spock from Star Trek graces a rubber stamp attached to a wooden block. That's why people love them, they can have fun with them or they can be serious. There are



hundreds of stamp companies across the nation with more opening all the time.

Stamps are considered a collectible and are made so well that they can be passed down from generation to generation so children and grandchildren can use the same stamps that you did. They can even be displayed on a bookshelf or wall in your home and when guests come to visit they will be fascinated. Stamps are like little works of art done by different artists and it's like being in a museum to see the many designs. Custom stamps can even be created from original artwork.

Hard-core stamp collectors even save their stamps in albums. Some collectors have hundreds of designs. Stamping can become a fun, but addictive activity.

One reason people love stamping is that they can create beautiful cards and stationery without being an artist, because the art is in the stamp. Anyone can press a stamp to a piece of paper and viola, they're an artist.

Once you've decided which stamps you want, there are all kinds of blank things you can stamp them on: from gift cards and wrapping paper to jigsaw puzzles and jam jar labels. In California, they're even stamping T-shirts and tennis shoes.

The most impressive method of stamping is called embossing. A stamp is pressed on the embossing ink pad, then on the paper, and while it is still wet, the paper is dipped into embossing powder and heated for five seconds, with a special blower or a burner of the kitchen stove turned on low heat. The heat actually raises the image, like raised letter printing on most business cards. This can be done with any stamp and in any color. The possibilities are endless!

Even if you go the simple route, varying stamp pad colors and filling in designs with water color pens, rubber stamping makes everything you create more personalized. You can even "sign" your work, with stamps that say "A Hand Stamped Original Just for You," or "Hand Stamped By (your name)."

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Cookbooks provide historical delights

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

The passing of favorite family recipes has gone on for generations. And whenever groups get together for pot-luck suppers, one phrase sure to be heard is "I simply must have that recipe!"

Surely, no one could ever cook all of the recipes that have ever been compiled in cookbooks, but the printing of such references has supplied yet another avenue for the avid collector who is interested in culinary delights.

Cookbooks go a long way in reflecting more than just the style of cooking of a region or ethnic group. They can provide a history of a time and place.

One such cookbook was written by Mrs. Mary Randolph in 1831 and entitled "The Virginia Housewife; or Methodical Cook." Looking to this book as a source of new recipes might throw today's housewife, used to buying her provisions in the bright and modern grocery store, into fits when she reads the procedure for dressing a turtle, "kill it at night in winter, and in the morning in summer." But further reading acquaints the reader with the method of food preparation in post-Colonial Virginia, without the conveniences of electricity and refrigeration. Fresh beef, to be cured, was packed in salt for 10 days, then placed in a brine for 10 days, "in about 10 days it will look red and be fit for the table."

The "All-American Cookbook," published by the Saturday Evening Post, contains "500 great classic recipes from our

country's heritage" and reading it is a history lesson in itself. For example, the book tells the origin of sourdough bread, "by no means an American invention, but it came to this country early in its history and was used by pioneers and their wives who were far from any source of yeast."

Cookbooks are often produced by churches or civic groups to mark anniversaries or other celebrations. The style of these cookbooks often projects the personalities of the cooks who contribute to their production, publishing the recipes in the handwriting of the author. Most are not original creations, attributed to a relative or friend. One professionally produced cookbook, "Cookin' Yankees Ain't Et" compiled by Louise and Bill Dwyer, adopted this style, with one offering on each page written in script. The book contains illustrations of "ol' timey cookin' utensils."

Whatever the reason for collecting cookbooks, in most cases the collector likes to try out a new recipe from time to time and those who know this person will usually benefit from the collector/cook's efforts.

CRUSTY SOURDOUGH BREAD

(as published in The Saturday Evening Post All-American Cookbook)

Starter:

1 cup unbleached flour
1 cup water
2 tsp. sugar

Bread:

1 package dry yeast
1 1/2 cups lukewarm water
2 tsp. salt
8 to 7 cups unbleached flour
1 tsp. sugar
1/2 tsp. baking soda

To make starter, combine the unbleached flour, water and sugar in a quart jar. Mix well and put in a warm place (80 to 85 degrees F). It may be in the attic in the summer or the cellar or utility room in the winter, but keep searching with a thermometer until you find it. Let the mixture work two or three days or until fermented. Stir down every day.

When the starter is ready, stir the yeast into lukewarm water in an electric mixer bowl. Add 1 cup of the starter, the salt and sugar and 4 cups of flour. Beat hard for 2 minutes. Cover the bowl and put in the same warm place for 2 to 2 1/2 hours or at room temperature (68 degrees F) for overnight. Stir down the sponge and add 1 cup of flour mixed with the soda, using the mixer, if it is a strong one, or your hands. Turn onto a floured surface and gradually work in more flour until you have a stiff dough. Knead for 10 minutes, incorporating more flour if necessary to give a smooth elastic ball of dough. Divide in half and let rest while preparing the oven. Put a roasting pan full of hot water on the bottom of your oven. Preheat to 400 degrees F.

Shape the dough into round or long loaves and place them on a lightly greased baking sheet. Brush with water and place in the oven. Bake 45 to 60 minutes. The loaves should be hard to



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Just a few of the cookbooks available to collector/cooks.

touch. If you hold the loaf to your ear and it is still "singing" it is not done. Give it a few more minutes.

To perpetuate the starter: Replace the starter with 2/3 cup of water and 2/3 cup of flour. Stir well and let it stand at room temperature for 24 hours. Cover and store in the refrigerator. A starter should be used every week or 10 days.

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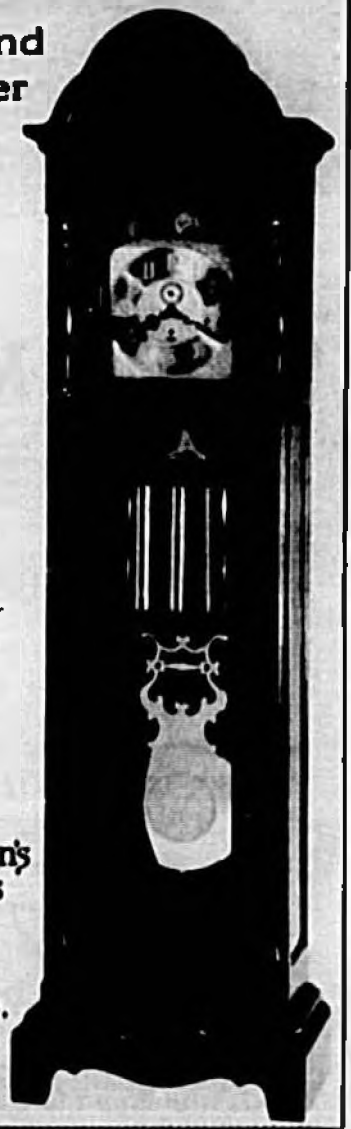
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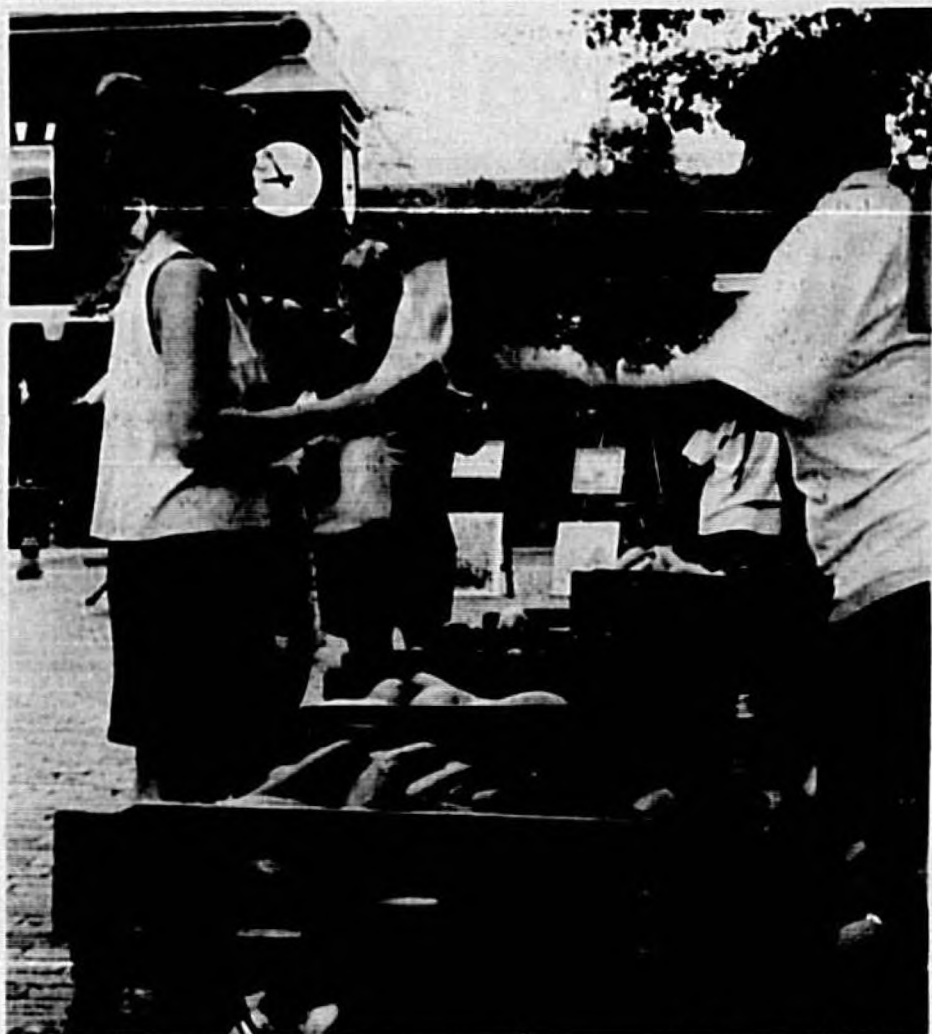
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Heidi Otto, a produce vendor from Orlando, assists a shopper.

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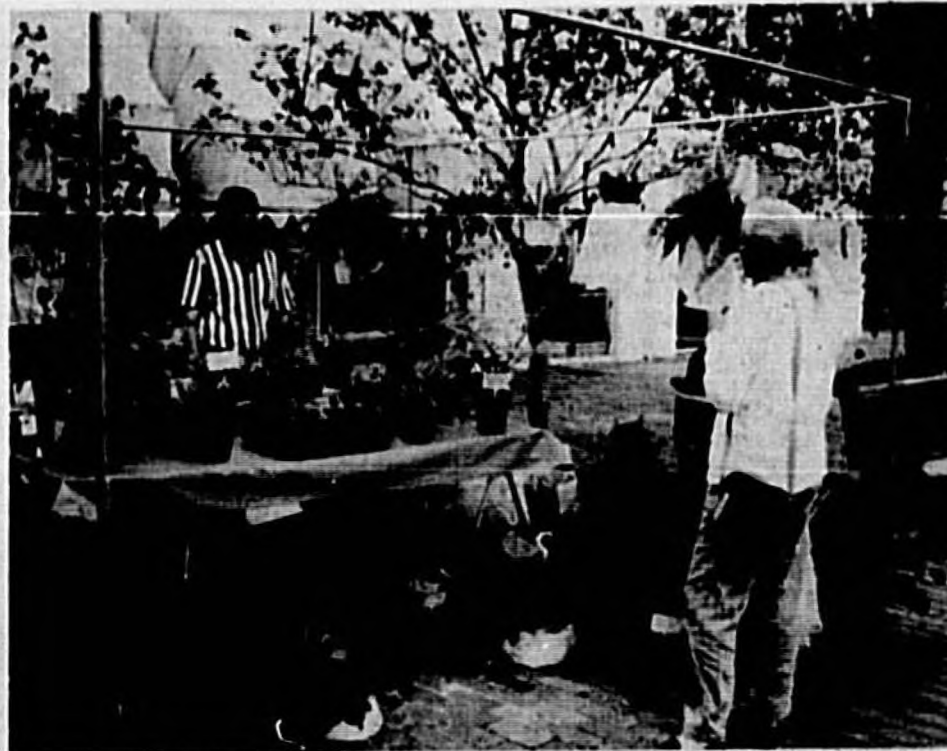


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John Plank, whose greenhouses are in Clermont, talks with Barbara Farrell.

Main Street's market proves successful

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — "To market, to market..." so says the nursery rhyme. In the good old days, farmers brought their product to market on the same day and the villagers would gather in the town square to purchase vegetables and other food stuffs as well as to trade in dry goods and catch up with the happenings of their friends and neighbors. Sanford's Main Street is recreating a little piece of this concept in their weekly Farmer's Market on the Magnolia Mall in downtown Sanford.

Volunteer coordinator Kathy Sutton says the market has been highly

successful since it was opened earlier this year, but there is room for more vendors and a wider variety of products, to attract more shoppers.

"The goal is to bring more shoppers into downtown Sanford," Sutton says. The farmer's market was started by the Sanford Main Street program as a fund-raising project for the improvements to downtown the program hopes to achieve and to create awareness of the area. Thus far, both goals are being met.

Nine vendors, from all over the central Florida area, open up their stands every Saturday morning at 8 and sell their products until noon. Sutton says there

is room for up to 25 vendors and she would like to see a wider variety of products, being careful not to create a "flea market atmosphere" and not compete with established merchants. The current vendors include purveyors of produce, landscape plants and baked goods, but Sutton would like to see a florist provide cut flowers and other vendors sell fresh fish, bagels, herbs, fresh juices or lemonade. Sutton would also like to encourage the use of a "seasonal" booth for vegetables and fruit in season, such as citrus in the winter, strawberries in the spring, watermelons in the summer and pumpkins in the fall.

The ultimate goal of "showcasing the charm" of downtown Sanford seems to be working, Sutton says. Vendors are noting an increase in repeat business. And the correlation between the fresh produce and the antiques in the surrounding shops seems to be a good mix to create a comfortable atmosphere for buying, browsing, eating and people-watching. Sutton and Main Street manager Bess Simon both say. Plans for extending the hours of the market, into the afternoon, will go forward when the

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ing riveted hinge."

I collect small Heisey glass animals. What is the difference in value between those marked with the H in a diamond and those marked 10?

A. Heisey made small animals of clear or pale amber glass from 1933 to 1957. The molds were then purchased by Imperial Glass, which made animals from the molds from 1969 to 1978. Imperial made 12 types in caramel slag glass and marked 10.

Collectors like to assemble full sets; the price is often determined by the number of copies of an animal made, not by the mark on the bottom. For example, the caramel slag Scotty sells for over \$175. The Heisey original is half as much, but the slag glass mallard duck sells for less than the Heisey original.

I found two small bottles in my grandmother's attic. They are only three inches high. One is 12 sided, dark amethyst, and has raised letters that say "Co. Sam Johnson, Proprietor, Richmond, VA, 1852" on one side, "Lancaster Indian Vegetable Bitters" on the other. The other bottle is an aqua-colored barrel marked "Root Bitters." Can you tell me about these bottles?

A. Bitters was a medicine made of roots and herbs. It was a popular tonic in the 19th century. "A. Lancaster Indian Vegetable Jaundice Bitters, Sam Johnson proprietor" was made and sold in the 1850s. Like other bitters drinks, it was usually offered in bottles that were at least eight inches high. There were many types of bitters sold in barrel-shaped bottles. When bottle collecting became popular in the 1970s, figural bottles were made by the Wheaton Co. for sale in gift shops. Most of the bottles were marked Wheaton on the bottom. There were even copies of the copies made in the Orient, and most of those bottles are unmarked.

Your three-inch bottles were shown in the Wheaton 1971 catalog. The bottles are only 20 years old and are valued at only a few dollars.

I have a cherry dresser that was purchased in the 1950s. It doesn't have a Mission-style look. I call it Early American. When was this made? Is it Stickley?

A. There were several Stickley furniture companies. The most famous is the firm founded by Gustav Stickley. They went out of business before 1920. Their Mission-style pieces are popular with collectors. The Stickley Brothers Co. was founded by George and Albert Stickley, brothers of Gustav. They made furniture in Grand Rapids, Mich., from 1891 to 1907. They marked some pieces "Quaint Furniture."

L.&J.G. Stickley Co. was run by Leopold and George Stickley, brothers of Gustav. They worked in Fayetteville, N.Y., and later bought Gustav's factory in

Eastwood, N.Y. They made Mission and many other styles of furniture, including the Xearly American pieces you own. They are still working and are now recreating some of their old Mission styles.

Q. What is Chinese Export silver? I saw a tea set in a shop that had huge American eagles as part of the design. The dealer told me it had been made in China and was very old.

A. Silver has been made in the Orient for customers in the United States and Europe for more than 300 years. During the initial period of trading (1680-1842), sailing ships from Europe carried back ceramics, furniture, textiles, silver, paintings and prints, and other items made specifically for the European market. The designs were often a blend of the Oriental and Western—for example, a chair in a Queen Anne shape with carved Oriental trim.

From 1842 to 1900, many more pieces were made. Your silver probably dates from that period. Eagles and flags were popular designs on the

pieces that were made for the American market.

Chinese Export ware continues to be manufactured today. The term "Export ware" signifies that it was made in Hong Kong or China, most likely in Guangzhou (Canton) or Shanghai. It does not indicate a date, however.

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Market

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weather is cooler. "We don't want our vendors or their produce to wilt," said Sutton.

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