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INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

Events Transpiring in and About Punta Gorda--Personal Mention

N. T. Ragland transacted business in Arcadia, yesterday.

Mrs. W. A. Bunnell of Holder, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. C. McCullough, in this city.

Mrs. A. P. Hatch returned this week from a pleasant visit to her mother in Lakeland.

No war prices here. We are neutral. Kinsel's Dept. Store. (adv.)

Mrs. C. L. Willis and baby went up to Fort Meade this morning to spend a week with friends.

Harry Goldstein went up to Jacksonville on business, Monday. He was expected back yesterday.

If its dry goods or shoes you want, try Kinsel's Dept. Store. (adv.)

Capt. H. M. Reid returned from Savannah on the noon train yesterday. He says he feels as "chipper" as a sixteen-year-old girl at her elder sister's wedding.

REPAIRS AND ORDERS FOR JEWELRY Given Prompt Attention if Sent to G. HART, Gen'l Purchasing Agt., PHILADELPHIA, PA. PERRY BLDG.



Miss Lillian Stone left this morning for Lacochee, where she will visit friends for several weeks.

Mrs. Lloyd Davis of Arcadia is spending the week here with her sister, Mrs. H. C. Goldstein, and other relatives.

No. 666 will cure Chills and Fever. It is the most speedy remedy we know. (adv.) ts-20.

Lloyd Smith, who has been sojourning at Glen for several months past, left yesterday evening for his summer home in Reading, Pa.

The young ladies of the Junior Civic League have prepared to give a fine entertainment in Dixie theatre next Wednesday night, for the benefit of the bath house.

No. 666 will cure Malaria or Bilious Fever. It kills the germs. (adv.) ts-20.

Election of officers and a full report on bath house expenditures at the meeting of the Woman's Improvement Association tomorrow afternoon. Every member should be present.

F. S. Strobhar, explaining that he is "run down and all broken up" physically from over-work, went over to Tampa yesterday to enter a hospital and obtain expert medical treatment.

Clothing, shoes and hats—latest styles—for men at R. C. Blount's (adv.)

Samuel Nails was out with his new auto truck for the first time, Monday afternoon. He is now ready for business, such as hauling furniture, trunks and other freight, and will be glad to serve all of his old customers and as many new ones as may favor him with their patronage.—adv. It.

Considerable quantities of the finest fruit in the world are being shipped daily from this place to markets abroad. They are the celebrated fancy pineapples of Punta Gorda.

Arlie Hatch, having relieved himself of official duties as town clerk, went down the bay this week to recuperate and, at the same time, do clerical work for some of the fishermen.

The Hewitt brothers, Norman and Clarence, accompanied by their "better halves" went up to Lakeland by rail Thursday evening, and returned in automobiles which they bought in Lakeland.

Word from Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meadows, who were in Chicago on July 27th, was to the effect that they are having a fine trip, but finding it very much warmer in that latitude than in Punta Gorda.

Miss Lena Whidden accompanied by her younger sister, Lorena, came up from Useppa, Friday night, and left yesterday for Orlando, where she will enter a hospital for service as a trained nurse.

C. B. Bryant, who has recently come here from Lee county to live, went down to Useppa yesterday to take charge of the work being done by the Bearee and Bryant Construction Co., of which he is a member and stockholder.

L. P. Wyatt, C. L. Peterson and R. S. Hayes, lively and capable members of the mechanical force of the Arcadia Enterprise, enjoyed a day's fishing and salt-water bathing here, Monday. They caught no fish, however.

Mrs. Mary Rogers, after undergoing treatment in a Savannah hospital for two weeks, came home last week much improved in health. During her stay in the hospital, she was looked after by her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Dewey, who accompanied her home.

Our good friend, C. A. Sercomb, of Woodrow, is now luxuriating at his former home, Milwaukee, Wis. Writing to have THE HERALD sent to him there he says: "I am a Democrat now, vote for Wilson. Hughes will be like Taft, a disappointment. No president from the supreme bench."

Doctors recommend a vegetable diet. Griggs, the grocer, can supply it. He has also a variety of fine meat stuffs. (adv.)

Several eminent officials of the Western Union Co., on their way to Fort Myers, stopped over here from Saturday night until Sunday noon. They were: L. J. Maxwell, district commercial superintendent; A. E. Lang, district commercial manager, and M. R. Sutherland, division cable manager. The last named has his headquarters in Atlanta; the other gentlemen are located in Jacksonville. Their visit here was not official and had no special significance other than the interest they feel in all of their company's affairs.

WHEN YOU HAVE A COLD

Give it attention, avoid exposure, be regular and careful of your diet, also commence taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It contains Pine-Tar, Antiseptic Oils and Balsams. Is slightly laxative. Dr. King's New Discovery cures your cough, soothes your throat and bronchial tubes, checks your cold, starts to clear your head. In a short time you know your cold is better. Its standard family cough syrup in use over 40 years. Get a bottle at once. Keep it in the house as a cold insurance. Sold at your druggist. (Advertisement)

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FEDERAL ROAD FUNDS

Florida's Share for 1917 is \$55,976.67

The Secretary of Agriculture, under date of July 21, 1916, certified to the Secretary of the Treasury and the governors and State highway departments of the several States the following apportionment of the \$5,000,000 of Federal road funds available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917.

This is the first installment of Federal moneys to be apportioned to the States under the Federal-aid road act approved July 11, 1916. Before making the division among the States, the Secretary, in accordance with the act, deducted 3 per cent of \$150,000, needed for administering its provisions. This left \$4,850,000 to be apportioned among the States, one-third in the ratio of area, one-third in the ratio of population, and one-third in the ratio of mileage of rural delivery routes and star routes. The apportionment on this basis gives Florida \$55,976.67.

The apportionment is only of one year's funds. For succeeding fiscal years the act appropriates: 1918, \$10,000,000; 1919, \$15,000,000; 1920, \$20,000,000; 1921, \$25,000,000.

The act requires that the apportionment for each year shall be made in the same manner. Different sums are appropriated for each year and the apportionment must also take into consideration the population as shown by the latest available Federal census and the mileage of rural delivery and star routes as shown by the certificate of the Postmaster General for the next preceding fiscal year. A new apportionment, therefore, must be announced for each fiscal year.

The apportionment as given above does not take into consideration the \$1,000,000 additional appropriated each year for 10 years for the development of rural roads in the National Forests.

YOUR BOWELS SHOULD MOVE ONCE A DAY

A free easy movement of the bowels every day is a sign of good health. Dr. King's New Life Pills will give you a gentle laxative effect without griping and free your system of blood poisons, purify your blood, overcome constipation and give an excellent tonic effect on the entire system. Makes you feel like living. Only 25c. at druggists.

G. E. Page, father of the Page brothers of this place, went up to Wauchula, Friday, for a stay of a few days. Tuesday he went to

Arcadia and entered a sanitarium there for the purpose of having an operation performed to correct a stomach trouble from which he has been suffering for a long time.

Mrs. H. C. Goldstein gave a formal dance at her home on Friday evening in honor of her niece, Miss Mildred Hall of Valdosta, Ga. The hostess served delicious ice cream and cake. Those present were: Misses Helen and Henrietta Farrington, Josephine Reid, Thelma White, Anna Mae Sikes, Josephine Chidester and Hazel Baldwin.—Thelma White, REPORTER.

Misses Harriet J. Sherman and Rhea H. Lee, of Tampa and Lakeland, respectively, have been in this city several days. The two ladies are in the employ of the state board of health under Dr. Porter. Misses Sherman and Lee left this morning for Punta Gorda, where they will spend several days.—Arcadia News.—We have been looking out for them to arrive in Punta Gorda, but have not yet heard anything of their being here. We fear they got off the train at Lee Branch or Glen.

Inquisitive.
"What a methodical fellow you are, Dobbs," said Bobbs, who had stepped into Dobbs' study during the latter's absence.
"Why, what do you mean?" asked Dobbs.
"To think that you should lock all your drawers up when you are only out for five minutes. 'Tisn't likely that anybody would meddle with your things."
"Of course not," replied Dobbs. "But how did you find out the drawers were locked?"—London Mail.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
In Circuit Court, 10th Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for DeSoto County.—In Chancery.
Jeremiah Berry vs. Ella D. Berry.—Bill.
To Ella D. Berry, defendant in the above entitled cause.
You are hereby notified that a bill of complaint has been filed in our office against you and in favor of Jeremiah Berry. In said bill you are called upon to answer the same, and in accordance with the prayer of said bill, you are hereby required to be and appear at Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, at the Clerk's office of said court, on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1916, the same being a rule day of this Court, to answer said bill, and in default thereof, a decree pro confesso will be entered against you and the cause proceed ex parte.
WITNESS my hand and official seal at Arcadia, Florida, on this, the 2nd day of August, A. D. 1916.
A. L. DURRANCE, (LS) Clerk of Circuit Court.
I, A. L. Durrance, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for DeSoto County, Florida, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the original notice of publication now on file in my office.
Witness my hand and seal of office on August 2nd, 1916.
(Seal) A. L. DURRANCE, (LS) Clerk Circuit Court.

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Fla.

Capt. H. M. Reid, who has been in a hospital in Savannah for a month undergoing treatment for a stomach trouble, was expected home yesterday, but may not return till today. Mrs. Reid and daughter, Miss Josephine, who were with him there for a while, returned last week. During Capt. Reid's absence, Albert Dewey took charge of his dredge and last week finished the Belmont drainage ditch.

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Synopsis of Weather and Crop Conditions in Florida for the Week ending August 1, 1916.

Frequent rains west of the Apalachicola river were unfavorable, and crops on low land made very slow recovery from the effects of the recent Gulf storm. Complaints that cotton is shedding is general; the plant is evidently deteriorating over much of the belt.

Rains were insufficient over most of the peninsula. More is needed for citrus fruits and pineapples on the east coast, and generous amounts would benefit fruits over the belt. Oranges are falling in some localities. Corn, cane, cowpeas, peanuts, and sweet potatoes are promising. Some heavy rains for the week were: Key West, 8.3, Molino, 5.6, Tarpon Springs, 4.4, and Jacksonville, 4.0 inches.—A. J. MITCHELL, Meteorologist.

RUST MITE AND WHITE FLY ARE BUSY SPRAY NOW TO INSURE BRIGHT FRUIT

Rust mite is working havoc and white fly is again active in citrus fruit groves. These pests will create much damage if not checked or eliminated immediately.

Florida's fruit crop is only about 60 per cent of normal. It is stated by experts that less than 10 per cent of the fruit will be bright unless it is sprayed very soon.

If your trouble is rust mite begin spraying at once with NIAGARA SOLUBLE SULPHUR COMPOUND and follow with another spraying every four to six weeks.

If white fly is the pest you must spray with SCHNARR'S INSECTICIDE, and keep it up at regular intervals until the grove is cleared.

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