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**THE LAKE LAND NEWS**

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Saturday is the last day for filing your income tax report. Don't put it off too long and have to pay a penalty.

The Literary Digest wrote us for our opinion as to whether the majority of the people hercabofits favor a League of Nations. We answered in the affirmative, and believe that we were amply justified in expressing this opinion.

That unemployment is decreasing and that the discharged soldiers are settling their own problems are cheering bits of information given out by the war department. We have had faith that things would work out thus. There is too much work to be done in the world for willing hands to be idle long. Of course, \$10-a-day jobs will not be plentiful, but the man who is willing to work for a reasonable wage will not have to look far for a connection.

Some people are apparently under the impression that there is to be an election on the proposition of the city buying the gas plant on April 1st. This is an error. No election has yet been called, and after such an election has been decided upon, it must be advertised for thirty days. It is not unlikely that the election in question will be ordered at tomorrow night's meeting of the City Commissioners, and that the election may be held some time next month.

That the convict lease system will be abolished, and that the labor of convicts will be utilized in building public roads, are two encouraging forecasts of conditions in the near future. Both these things are so obviously right and proper that it is hard to understand why they have been delayed so long; but the public conscience has at last been awakened to the great wrong of selling human beings into slavery, and to a recognition of the fact that the convict's labor should go, not to enrich private individuals or corporations, but to accomplishments for the benefit of all the people.

The principle of the primary is all right. It gives every individual an opportunity to select his choice for office, which the convention does not do. But the present method of conducting the primary in Florida is seriously wrong, and in many instances defeats the will of the majority. The old two-primary system, while cumbersome and in some respects objectionable, was infinitely preferable to the present double-ballot plan. A return to the first and second primary system ought by all means to be effected at the next legislative session, unless some simpler method of arriving at the wishes of the people can be devised. Any change, almost would be an improvement over the present primary machinery.

**Wavelets From The Deep C. Green**

Women love to spend the day buying in the store but did you ever see the Coast Line shop?

A pugilist goes through many a hard match but after he is dead comes the real rough box.

On the "board" of censorship, "planked" steak is the favorite dish. Mother's favorite song is "How shall I miss you, darling," and father sings "Throw 'em high; I'm used to dodging."

Willie: "Are you that 300-pound lady's nephew?"  
Johnny: "Naw, she's too big to be an ant."

From all accounts the fleas make good scratch feed for monkeys.

Oh! list to the song of the river;  
Oh! list to the song of the stream;  
But oh, when you get up in the morning,

Don't you love to listorine?

In Baltimore they have an H O duck pin club and they say it is some fun to watch the bowl of oats.

Funny state of affairs in Florida: You can't get beer but you can get near beer.

Ethel: "Was he a lieutenant of the A No. 1 variety?"  
Maud: "No, he was just a second."

Don't borrow during Lent.

A farmer loves to sew seed but you never saw one plant his feet firmly on the ground.

**Ladies' Aid Society**  
The Ladies' Aid of Myrtle street church will meet with Mrs. J. M. Woods, Wednesday afternoon, March 12, at 2:30. All the members must try to be present as something special will be brought up.

**Additional Classified Advertising**

ROOMS FOR RENT—312 South Florida Ave. 8647

FOR SALE—Excellent modern house, six rooms and bath. Lot 135 by 150. Large bearing grapefruit trees, other fruit trees and bushes and irrigated garden. Barn which can be used as garage. Located in Dixieland. Price reasonable. Owner J. V. Juhler. 402 So. N. Y. Ave. Telephone 242 Blue. 8644

WANTED—Dressmaking, plain or fancy. Mrs. M. Long, 406 West Main. 8649

WANTED—4,000 to 6,000 feet second-hand lumber. Address John Krug, East Parker St., City. 8645

**PARK CAFE TO CLOSE**  
This is to notify our customers that the Park Cafe will be closed after Wednesday, March 12th.  
BUCHANAN & VANLANDINGHAM. 8646

WANTED—6 or 7-room house close in. Convenient to R. R. shop and high school. Address "H," care Telegram. 8643

FOR SALE—40-acre grove on beautiful lake; asphalt road; will bear 10,000 boxes this year. \$28,000. See G. C. Rogan, Deen-Bryant Bldg. 8652

**IMPRESSIONS RECEIVED BY VISITOR TO LAKE LAND**

The writer, after spending the greater part of half a century in states swept by the cold blasts of northern winters, and now seeking a refuge in the haven of sunshine and flowers, is at present in Lakeland. That up-to-date, progressive and modern city of about ten thousand population, and the metropolis of Polk county—Lakeland—situated as it is on the main line of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, has more than thirty passenger trains a day in every direction.

The spacious and handsome depot, just completed, would be a credit to a place many times the size of Lakeland. Railroad shops here with a payroll approximating \$60,000 a month will be a mighty factor in the up-building of a city. The industrial plants, packing houses and other industries, together with progressive merchants, make the continued onward movement certain to Lakeland.

Within the confines of its thirty miles of brick and asphalt-paved streets, with concrete walks will be found spacious brick business houses, hotels, substantial banks and office buildings, all erected to conform to modern ideas, and practically all this growth made in less than a dozen years, and is continuing to be made, as is evidenced by the handsome homes now in erection. New firms are starting business and the commencement of a new brick church. The visitor or tourist with a gay turn of mind will find here a large auditorium, seating about two thousand people; the movie, of course, and other attractions. The sick or afflicted can be treated at the city hospital or a sanitarium up to the minute in equipment and service.

There are here large brick school buildings, with ample recreation grounds, and a sight worth seeing is the boy scouts drilling on their lake shore campus.

The churchgoer can meet fellowship in a chorus of any denomination.

The Elks' home, a beauty in itself, is indeed inviting and makes a non-member of the order wish "to go there, too."

Two daily newspapers, printing Associated Press dispatches, will enable one to keep abreast of the times.

The new federal building, just completed, has opened for business and criticism, and receiving a plenty of both. Postoffice boxes of the usual size are all taken, only the larger size now for rent, though after a time when tourists leave the situation may improve. Taken all in all, Uncle Sam's new home is pretty and neat, but altogether inadequate for a going Lakeland.

The eight beautiful lakes within the corporate city limits justly give the name Lakeland. Around two of the largest has just been completed asphalt drives, and when fringed with palms and flowers, these lake drives will be "a thing of beauty and joy forever."

The water and light plants are municipally owned and their management is meeting with approbation on the part of the people. The gas plant is fulfilling all its needs and the city's cosmopolitan population travels a white way throughout the entire business section.

Although augmented by the addition of between four and five thousand winter tourists and the number increasing yearly, Lakeland is, strictly speaking, a home town, backed by a prosperous and profitable farming country. Lakeland is the center of the Florida citrus growing industry, and many of the most beautiful groves in the state can be found within a short radius of the city.

Add to this the fact that nearly 40 per cent of the total asphalt output

of the entire world is produced within a radius of forty miles of this place and it can be readily understood why Lakeland is a substantial and increasing business place.

The worthy newcomer is welcomed within its gates, the hospitable residents will extend a hand. You can grow old gracefully in a land teeming with sunshine and flowers, where the mocking bird sings on the tree and at the end be glad you lived in Lakeland.—J. D. A., in Tampa Tribune.

**Ray Jones Writes Interesting Letter From France**

Latrense, France, Feb. 12, 1919.  
Mr. Hetherington:

As I have nothing else to do at the present time so thought I would write you a few lines. We have been moving around a great deal since I wrote you last. We left Stenay on Jan. 18th, arrived here on the 22nd. Stenay is near Verdun, we had several hours in Verdun on our way here. The Germans certainly did wreck the place, we also came through St. Mihiel, we had a very interesting trip. By the way I will tell you a little of Stenay. The Germans have had it in their possession about 3 years; they had been there so long the French people there were pro-German, all the stores had German names. The Americans drove them out about the time Armistice was signed. I also had the pleasure of seeing the chateau that the Crown Prince stayed in while there. It is certainly a pretty place, and handsome furniture. We are drilling 4 hours a day now just waiting on transportation now. Latrense is about 9 miles from Bordeaux the Base Port where we are to sail from. Oh say, I forgot to tell you I had a little accident coming down on the train. A French train ran into ours and the door closed on my hand and mashed 3 of my fingers pretty bad. I went over to Bordeaux and had an Xray taken of them to see if my bones were broke, but have not heard from it yet. My hand is getting along as good as could be expected. We are in the southern part of France, and the weather is just grand. We can buy oranges that are shipped from Spain, we pay 20c for 3. Everything is very high over here. Well as I have no more news of interest so will close for this time. Give all my friends my best regards.

As ever, your friend,  
RAY,  
Pvt. Walter R. Jones, Co. C, 15th Engineers, American E. F., France.

WANTED—TURKEY EGGS for setting. About 50. State lowest price. H. C. Petteway, Lakeland, Fla. 8633

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on Tuesday, April 1st, for the purpose of determining whether or not a Community Memorial building shall be erected in Munn Park.  
The qualifications for voting at said election will be:  
All those electors, otherwise qualified according to the laws of the city, county and state, and also such electors shall be male property owners in the city of Lakeland.  
This election is called by the City Commission, by resolution adopted February 26, 1919.  
E. C. FLANAGAN,  
Commissioner at Large.  
Attest:  
H. L. SWATTS, City Clerk. 8610

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Condensed Statement of the condition of the First National Bank of Lakeland, Fla., as rendered the Comptroller at the close of business, March 4th, 1919.

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 687,178.70	Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
U. S. Bonds and Securities	187,578.26	Surplus and Undivided Profits	50,386.88
Real Estate	12,988.44	Circulation	100,000.00
Banking House	62,000.00	Deposits	1,094,746.71
Furniture and Fixtures	22,201.40		
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00		
Cash and Due from U. S. Treasury	368,686.79		\$1,345,133.59
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SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES FOR RENT

**First National Bank Of Lakeland, Florida**

Capital Stock, \$100,000.00  
Surplus, \$ 50,000.00

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