

The Lake Wales Highlander

DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF THE "CROWN JEWEL OF THE RIDGE" IN PARTICULAR AND THE SCENIC HIGHLANDS OF FLORIDA IN GENERAL

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LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1923

\$2.00 Per Year

CROOKED LAKE FOLLOWS STAR LAKE CHANGING ITS NAME; IT IS TO BE KNOWN AS LAKE CALOOSA HEREAFTER

Board of Trade Acted on
Matter Tuesday
Night

LIKE NAME BETTER

Natural Result of Change
of Town Name

Lake of the Winding Shores; Will
Ask Map Making Bodies to
Concur.

Liking the suggestion made in The Highlander last week that the name of Crooked Lake should be changed to Lake Caloosa, the Crooked Lake board of trade at its regular meeting Monday night resolved to ask the state and national map making authorities to change the name of Polk county's most beautiful body of water to Lake Caloosa. In this they were following out the general idea that Caloosa is the Seminole Indian word for "Crooked" or "Winding" shores.

The matter will be taken up at once with W. A. McRae at Tallahassee, state commissioner of agriculture who issues a state map every two years and with the United States Geological Survey Bureau and they will be requested to follow the wish of local people hereafter in referring to the lake as Lake Caloosa, on future maps of this section.

For some time there has been a sentiment at Crooked Lake for a change in the name, even before Mr. Babson became interested in the locality. Hugh R. Loudon has always felt that Crooked Lake was a poor name. Others have had the same idea and there was no trouble in getting the change made as told above. For some time before Mr. Babson became interested there had been talk of a bank at the town site and it was felt that the suggestion of anything crooked either in the town or in the bank name would not be good advertising. When Mr. Babson became interested some one of the Highlanders does not quite know whom, though it suspects J. W. Carson or Frank Cody, suggested the name Babson Park for the town site. Of course that would not do for the lake but the new name suggested in The Highlander last week was well received and adopted with little or no reluctance.

Not everyone was in favor of changing the name however. H. E. Fairchild, one of the older residents of the section said Tuesday that he was not at the meeting of the board of trade Monday night but that had he been he would have opposed the change.

"I was in favor of changing the name of the town to Babson Park," said Mr. Fairchild, "but I can see no reason for changing the name of the lake."

"It will be many years before people get used to calling it Lake Caloosa and I for my part, cannot see a thing inappropriate in the old name. On the other hand many pleasant and kindly associations have grown up around it and I do not like to see the change, I am frank to say."

Viva Lake Caloosa!
Commenting on the suggestion in The Highlander The Lakeland Star-Telegram in Monday's issue endorsed the idea enthusiastically as have several others. The Star-Telegram had the following editorial:

POLK COUNTY MAY BE DEPRIVED OF CROOKED LAKE

Editor Jack Worthington in his Lake Wales Highlander champions the abolition of the name Crooked Lake from the map of Polk county. He argues that with the change of name of the town site of Crooked Lake to Babson Park, the next logical and reasonable step is to change the name of the beautiful body of water from which the town site took its name.

Most everybody will agree that the new name suggested is very pleasing, and at the same time really does not change the name, simply the language. Instead of Crooked Lake, the Indian name, meaning the same thing, is advocated. It is "Caloosa." Pretty, is it not? Go to it, you poets, and rave over Lake Caloosa, the lake with the winding shores and one of the most beautiful bodies of water in the world.

We already have the name Caloosahatchee, the name of the magnificent river upon whose southern shore nestles the city of Fort Myers and whose tortuous upper reaches penetrate the Everglades, at the same time affording an overflow basin or channel for some of the water from Lake Okechobee. Hatchee is the Seminole word for river; with the prefix of Caloosa the description of the Lee county river is complete.

So we second the motion of the Lake Wales Highlander to translate the name of one of our famous lakes from the English to the Indian tongue. The "eyes" seem to have it! Caloosa it shall be.

TRAIN IS PUT BACK

Seaboard Batters Service
to Nalaca

Night Train Again Runs Clear to
End of Line; Board of
Trade Active.

In the announcement of the Seaboard's summer service, made last week, effective Monday, May 7, there is consolation for Lake Wales in the resumption of the train to Nalaca, the end of the road, about 20 miles east of Lake Wales.

The night train from Tampa, which has been stopping at Lake Wales, will continue on to Nalaca, returning to Lake Wales in the morning. This will give people living east of here a chance to come in to town to do their trading and get back the same day and will be of much importance to Lake Wales merchants.

The morning train to Nalaca which has been leaving at 5:45 a. m. will now leave at 8:20 a. m. In its announcement of the changes the Seaboard says:

"To take care of increased business in the Ridge section, the afternoon train No. 403 leaving Tampa at 4:15 p. m. will be operated through to Nalaca, arriving Plant City 5:36 p. m., Lake Wales 6 p. m. and Nalaca 9 p. m.; returning leave Nalaca 7:20 a. m., Lake Wales 8:20 a. m., Plant City 10:37 a. m., arriving Tampa 11:45 a. m."

"The morning train between Lake Wales and Nalaca which has been leaving at 5:45 a. m. will effective May 7, leave Lake Wales at 8:20 a. m., arrive Nalaca 10:00 a. m., arrive Lake Wales 12:10 p. m."

President Kramer of the Board of Trade has been active in trying to get service resumed to the east, it having been cut off for some time, and a couple of weeks ago was told that train service would be given again with the summer schedule.

BRING FINE PRICE

Lake Wales Grapefruit Reached
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What Manager Hawkins of the Citrus Exchange Packing house believes is one of the best sales of grapefruit of the season was made on car of that fruit shipped from the Lake Wales packing house, which brought \$7.13 per box for brights in the New York market, the goldens in the car bringing \$6.50 a box. The sale is an extra good one indeed, and Mr. Hawkins cannot be blamed for thinking well of it.

Nothing Like the Ridge Country
E. P. Allen of Minneapolis writes to subscribe to The Highlander and to say he does not believe there is any place in the United States like the Florida Ridge Country. Mr. Allen expects some time to make his home on a hundred acres of grove he owns near Dundee. He is treasurer of the Florida Highlands Company which originally owned the 30 acres of grove land bought by Roger W. Babson at Starr Lake from Gerald Pierce, on which he plans to "build an experimental grove."

Foiled With Loaded Gun
The folly of letting children play with fire arms was exemplified in the quarters Thursday morning when the four year old son of "Parson" Calvin was shot through the leg by another colored boy of six. The weapon was a 38 calibre Winchester and the ball made a bad hole in the little fellow's leg. Dr. Tomlinson attended him and thinks it will be possible to save the leg. Calvin works for Mr. Yarnell at Highland Park.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

HIT USETER MAKE DE OLE
'OMAN MAD FUH ME T'
DRINK LICKUH BUT SHUCKS!
DAT WANT NOTHIN'---
SHE KETCHED ME SETTIN'
UP SODY-WATER T' A
LADY YISTIDY WID
HER WASH MONEY!!!!



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APPLE KING COMES

Indiana Man Will Try
Orange Growing

Buys Two Groves, 22 Acres, on Lake
Easy; Other Grove Activity
of the Week.

John R. Harness of Sedalia, Ind., known as the "Apple King" of Indiana, being one of the largest growers of apples in that state, has bought a couple of groves on Lake Easy and expects to build there during the winter and make his home here a part of the year. Mr. Harness bought an eight year old grove of H. E. Temple and a six year old grove of Win Campbell. They are located together on the south side of Lake Easy near the Bernard Cox home. The price paid is said to have been nearly \$35,000 for the two.

The deal was helped along by C. M. Quinn and Richard Fisher, old friends of Mr. Harness who were anxious to see him get well located along the Ridge somewhere. He has a most sightly place for a home now and a very fine grove. Mr. Harness is looking forward with much pleasure to the growing of oranges.

Stephens Makes Short Visit
Dr. G. E. Stephens, Kenosha, Wis., came Thursday to spend three or four days in Lake Wales. Dr. Stephens owns 40 acres at Highland Park of which 20 is in grove and the rest is being cleared, as well as other property in this section. Some time it is more than likely he will be making his home here. When he came down last winter he brought with him an old college chum, Dr. Chady of Oshkosh, who bought 20 acres of land from the Lake Wales Land Co. which he will have planted in grove this fall.

Will Beautify Groves
P. J. Kreuski of Chattanooga who recently bought a finely located forty on the Hesperides road of Dr. McMurray of Bartow through R. E. Stivens has let contract to the Hickory Hammock Nurseries for the beautification of the tract which has been cleared and is all ready for planting. The road side will be laid out with alternate palms, hibiscus and the crimson bougainvillea and the effect will be most ornamental.

Land Gator in Crystal Lake
Jack Ahl and Will Zipperer shot a young gator in Crystal lake Friday morning. The gator measured 52 inches in length and was a lively youngster. The boys saw it floating in the lake near shore and landed it with Jack's Remington 22. Then there was a hazardous trip in a leaky boat before the gator could be brought to shore. The boys say they will have a bag made of the hide.

Plenty Rain Here
Sunshine, too, Abundant
During April

Weatherman's Comment on April
Weather Report is That Trees
Growing Nicely.

"Plenty rain and sunshine during the month and citrus trees growing nicely," is the notation Weather Observer Chandley adds to his April report of the weather for Lake Wales. The highest figure reached during the month was 94 on the 23d and the lowest was 64 on the 19th. The mean high for the month was 87. The mean low was 60 degrees, a very comfortable temperature record on the whole.

Rain fell on five days during the month for a total precipitation of 3.68 inches. The greatest rainfall in one day was on the 14th with a record of 1.80 inches. There were 23 clear days, six partly cloudy and one listed as cloudy.

Baked 35,000 Pies in a Night
D. A. Walker of the Liberty Baking Co., who has been spending the past three weeks in Chicago where he has been taking a course in pastry baking at the Seibel Institute will be home soon. He will stop in Alabama and Georgia on the way home to visit friends. A letter to Mrs. Walker last week tells of a visit to the world's largest pie factory where, the night Mr. Walker's class saw the work, they baked 35,000 pies. On Saturday he said it was no uncommon thing for them to run as high as 60,000 pies. Mr. Walker has enjoyed his experience in Chicago but will be glad to get back home.

May started out with considerable rain, 3.03 inches being recorded during the first week, falling in four consecutive days beginning last Wednesday. Nearly an inch and a half fell on the 3d, and it looked last week like the opening of the rainy season was upon us, a little ahead of schedule time. The figures are given in the weather report for the week, elsewhere.

Bacteria in Milk.
Bacteria have been found to increase 700 times in 24 hours in milk cans which were covered before being dried, and milk put into such cans has been found to spoil much sooner than milk put into cans that were dried previously to being covered.

LIKELY TO BE CUT

In Amount of Roads For
Bond Issue

Total of Nearly 210 Miles New
Roads Are Now Included in
Plans Proposed.

The number of miles of new road included in the list on which the county commissioners have an engineer making a cost estimate, now stands at nearly 210 miles. The mileage stood at 202 miles up to last Friday when, according to the Lakeland Star Telegram, the committee in a meeting at Bartow admitted two more strips of road and also decided to approve the action of the county commissioners in asking the legislature to pass the three mill tax bill now before that body though urging the commissioners not to use the three mills if the proposed bond issue passes. The Star-Telegram of May 5 says:

"At a special meeting of the Polk County Special Road Committee held Friday afternoon at Bartow, they decided to approve the three mill road tax measure which is a proposed bill before the legislature. The bill provides for this amount of levy for construction and building of road in Polk county which will include the road from South Florida avenue to Haskell via Lakeland Highlands and from Auburndale to Florence Villa.

The committee also admitted two new pieces of road, one being from Lynnburg to the Florence Villa road a distance of 1 1/2 miles and also the road from Bradley Junction west to the Hillsborough county line, 6 miles.

"It was decided that the commissioners would be requested not to use the three mill levy at all in case the bond election carries and to hold up doing so until after the bonds are voted upon."

There are 120 miles of nine foot roads in the county and it is doubtful if a \$3,000,000 bond issue will be enough to come anywhere near widening these roads and at the same time building the nearly 210 miles of new road now contemplated. When the county road engineer makes his estimate of the cost early in June it will be known about how much can be done and then it is likely that one of two things must happen. Either the mileage of new roads must be cut materially or the amount the people will be asked to bond for must be considerably raised. Some doubt has been expressed as to whether it would be possible to carry a bond issue calling for more than \$3,000,000 and it is very likely some of the new roads proposed will be cut out of the plans.

LANDED A BIG UN

Tailon Got Nine and
Quarter Pound Bass

Caught It In Little Lake on the
Templeton Road; Worrell
Led Him to It.

F. H. Tailon is qualified for a place in the roll of those who have added to the fame of Lake Wales as the capital of the Big Black Bass Belt, through Mr. Tailon's fish was hardly entitled to a seat in The Highlander's Hall of Fame which is reserved only for those monsters who tip the scales at 10 pounds or better.

Mr. Tailon's bass weighed nine and a quarter pounds. He caught it in a small lake on the Templeton road near the little lake cut in two by the road and where, by the way, there occurred that episode of the blackbird striking at the black bass--no, the black bass striking at the blackbird,--a story first told in The Highlander and which the Hearst papers, by taking it up, have generally caused to be regarded as a lie.

He was with M. W. Worrell at the time. Mr. Worrell is a Master Fisherman. Ike Walton would be proud of him. Mr. Worrell had long felt that there were big fish in the little lake. He prevailed on Mr. Tailon, somewhat against the latter's will, to try it out on a recent trip from Templeton one evening.

Tailon used a Vamp minnow which the big fellow took at the first cast. He jumped clean from the water five times and put up a great fight but was finally landed. At Brantley's store the next morning he showed a weight of nine and a quarter pounds, a length of 26 inches, a girth of 18 and a mouth gap of five and a quarter. He was a beautifully shaped fish, not being pudgy as many of the big fellow are, but slim and well shaped.

Lets hear about your Big Uns.

Reasons for Architect.
Whether it be the building of a modest home or the latest mastodon of the hotel world, the American architect is the ideal supervisor for the job. Artistic yet practical, far-seeing but thorough, unprejudiced and faithful to his employer, he is skilled in everything but the manner of building up his own bank account.—Cleveland News-Leader.

WOMAN'S CLUB REPORTS SHOW PLENTY ACTIVITY BY THE LADIES DURING THE PAST YEAR: ELECTED OFFICERS

MUCH WORK AHEAD

Mountain Lake Will Be
Busy This Summer

Clear Out the Lake, Build a Water
Reservoir and Lay Out a New
Town Site.

Considerable work is planned by the Mountain Lake Corporation for the coming summer. The work to be done by the corporation is aside from the building of several new homes which will go up this summer but on which announcement is not yet ready.

One big job to be started will be the clearing of the lakes shores. A big pump dredge has been purchased and will be mounted on a scow so that the low spots around the lake where there are any that are unsightly, can be filled.

A big reservoir, to hold 30,000 to 40,000 gallons of water will be put up to better the water supply for the residents. It will be located on the Mountain so that there will be plenty of pressure.

A small town site will be laid out on the west side of the railroad tracks near the Mountain station where homes will be provided for employees of the corporation. Work on this will be started in June.

TWO TO HOSPITAL
M. R. Anderson and Mrs. M. C.
Jones at Tampa for Appendicitis

Both suffering from appendicitis Mrs. M. C. Jones and M. R. Anderson were taken to the Bayshore Hospital at Tampa Tuesday of last week and there operated on. Neither had been ill specially and it was a surprise not only to their friends but to themselves to know that they were so afflicted. Both came through the operations nicely and their friends will be glad to know are doing well.

Morris Jones with Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. G. C. Andregg and Miss Zola Haines drove over Sunday to call on her. Carence Thulbery and Mrs. Anderson also went over to see Mr. Anderson. Though the operations were serious each of the patients came through in fine shape.

WILL MAKE GOOD SHOW
Polk Contributes Liberally to Real-
tors Efforts at National Meet.

The special committee of the Polk County Realtors' Board arranging a Polk County exhibit at Cleveland during the meeting next month of the National Realtors' Association, held a conference at Winter Haven Thursday evening, which was attended by State Secretary J. I. Wallace of Jacksonville. Report submitted by the committee showed that of the total of \$5,000 sought to be raised by Polk county for the exhibit so far \$3,410 is assured. Bartow having raised \$1,000. Winter Haven \$710 and the Ridge country \$1,700. The committee held another meeting Monday night at Babson Park.

Lakeland and other Polk County towns have not yet been asked to contribute, but will be in a few days.—Lakeland Telegram.

Cleaning Sewing Machines.
Use sewing machine oil on soft
cloth to clean the wood parts of a
sewing machine. It appears as if
polished, also keeps the finish from
cracking and makes it look like new.
Or any good furniture polish will do.

BILL SAM'S DICTIONARY



By J. L. MARTIN
Slim Longfellow got off something
real clever at Shorty Smith's tolling
last Friday. Slim got enough of
being teased about having sick head-
ache so much and came back at the
boys by telling them that the reason
some folks never have sick headaches
is because they haven't brains enough
in their cranium to get sick. Slim
thinks so much of his joke, he is
thinking of having it published sev-
eral times in the Taterhill Herald.

CRANIUM: A cavity at the upper part of the human body, containing various substances, sometimes brains.
Bill Sam's Dictionary, page 890.

Much Excellent Work Accomplished by
Them

BEEN ACTIVE YEAR

Mrs. Yarnell Sums Up
Year's Accomplishments

Annual Meeting Held Last Week,
Officers Elected and Re-
ports Heard.

The annual meeting of the Lake Wales Woman's Club was held Thursday and officers elected for the year as follows: President, Mrs. Mrs. B. K. Bullard; 2d vice president, Mrs. W. L. Elliott; 3d vice president, Mrs. H. S. Norman; Recording secretary, Mrs. Theo. L. Wetmore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. B. Buchanan; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Bunting. Representatives to state federation, Mrs. R. B. Buchanan, alternate, Mrs. M. M. Ebert.

Last year the club offered \$25 in prizes for the lawn showing the most improvement during the year. The judges, Mrs. A. C. Thulbery, Mrs. A. L. Alexander and Mrs. Bunting, decided that the Buena Vista lawn, under ownership and care of Mrs. F. P. Starnes, showed most improvement and she was given the \$15 first prize. They were unable to decide for second prize between Mrs. W. L. Elliott's place and that of Mrs. Joe I. Perry and so divided the second prize of \$10 between the two.

Dr. Wilhoyte read an excellent paper on cleanliness and hygiene as preventatives of disease. Reports were received from all the officers and from many of the committees. The committee on rooms decidedly surprised the club by turning back \$15 of its allowance of \$5 a month for keeping the club rooms in order. The committee was composed of Mrs. A. L. Alexander, Mrs. D. N. Corbett, Mrs. J. E. Swartz and Mrs. Rhodes. This was the final meeting before the summer adjournment. Mrs. Yarnell's report was an eloquent summing up of the active work the club has done during the year and is most creditable to the Woman's Club. Her report follows:

The condition in which we found our streets in the fall and the condition in which they have been all winter has been a complete handicap to our desires to beautify Lake Wales—nevertheless, the club's work along community lines has been excellent—as the following statement will show.

1st. Thro' the club's efforts a few public-spirited citizens were solicited—their interest enlisted, and through their generous contributions, the planting was made in front of the station—and while its condition looks rather deplorable at present the club has been guaranteed that all harm to the planting shall be remedied and we will be proud of it next year and thereafter. The club has reason to feel a real pride in the efforts expended in getting this planting, as it was and is, the first beautifying for the general public—that has been done in Lake Wales where all benefited and there was no individual gain. It is a seed which has already borne fruit and has probably been a greater inspiration to our town than we know. Judging from the Tag Day returns I should say it had been intended an inspiration to many, and has created a desire our citizens to see something more done in a community way.

2nd. The club held a plant day when the club women brought plants for the yard at Crystal Lodge and citrus fruit trees were also put in the yard.

3rd. To excite civic pride the club offered prizes for the greatest improvement in yards of Lake Wales Homes.

4th. In order that our town might extend the proper hospitality Club Women on one occasion served over 600 visitors to Lake Wales.

5th. During the year a community sing was held the club bringing Mrs. Sessoms, Chairman of Music for the F. F. W. C. to Lake Wales for this purpose.

6th. Our club library has been Irwin A. Yarnell; st vice president, (Continued on Page 8)

WEATHER REPORT

Official Bulletin of daily temperature and precipitations furnished by the Lake Wales Cooperative U. S. Weather Bureau Station, located at Mammoth Grove for the week ending May 6, 1923.

Date	High	Low	Rain
30	92	64	.00
31	90	63	.00
1	89	63	.98
2	79	64	1.41
3	81	64	.06
4	80	60	.58
5	84	61	.00
6	—	—	—
Average	85	62	Total 3.03

MAMMOTH GROVE,
E. Chandley, Observer.