SERVING

MALONE, **BASCOM**

AND GREENWOOD

MALONE, FLORIDA

BOX HOLDER

BULK RATE U.S. POSTAGE

PAID

Permit No. 2 Malone, Fla. 32445

DEC. 9, 1971

VOLUME I, NUMBER 10



Mrs. Frances Taylor Malone Postmaster

Mrs. Lillian Rodgers **Bascom Postmaster**

Area Postmasters Perform A Variety Of Services

The postmasters in Malone, Bascom and Greenwood are handlers.

They are secretaries to the public at large, free advisors and city directories.

And while people in some places buy stamps in huge rolls so that they won't have to return to the post office very often, people in Malone, Bascom and Greenwood usually buy one stamp at a time--so they always have an excuse for visiting the post office.

The postmasters don't mind. In fact, they rather like it that

Mrs. Frances D. Taylor in Malone, Mrs. Lillian Rodgers in Bascom and Mrs. Willie H. Andreasen in Greenwood have worked a combined total of 87 years for the post office.

They know everybody they serve-and everybody they serve knows them.

What everybody doesn't know is all the extra services that the postmasters render which really aren't a part of their jobs.

As secretaries to the public at large, Mrs. Andreasen, Mrs. Rodgers and Mrs. Taylor do a lot of extra curricular work. They not only sell money orders, they fill them out for many people who either can't read or who are disabled from writing for one reason or another.

The postmasters are, quite literally, "filler-outers" of every kind of government form. They regularly fill out social security cards, welfare forms, money orders--and income tax returns. On occasion, they have been known to fill out checks and mail orders, and even to address envelopes.

As free advisers, the postmasters are asked to explain all sorts of things that come in the mails. Right now, a big roblem is interpreting all the no ault insurance notices that are being received by patrons.

As one postmaster says, "Our patrons think we can read and something more than letter understand anything that comes in the mail-and then explain it to them.

> As city directories--or, more accurately--as town and country directories, the postmasters have to keep up with everybody who lives or ever lived in their area.

Seldom is a change of address card filled out in Northeast Jackson County. The postmaster just "knows" when someone moves, or if anyone changes her name by marriage, or if someone returns home to live.

Right now, the Christmas rush is beginning. But in Malone, Bascom and Greenwood postmasters feel that patrons are cooperating with the post offices this year by getting their cards and packages in the mails early.

Of the three ladies, Mrs. Andreasen has been a postmaster the longest. She inherited the job. Her father was postmaster in Greenwood from 1897 to 1916, and her mother was postmaster from 1920 until retirement in 1947 when Mrs. Andreasen took over the position.

"So, except for four years--1916-1920--the job has been in my family," Mrs. Andreasen said. "But my children don't want it."

Mrs. Andreasen became her mother's assistant in 1936, but her memories of working conditions in the post office extend much farther back.

"My mother had to send mail off on the train before daylight," Mrs. Andreasen said, "and receive mail from an incoming train after dark. She was on the job for more than 12 hours a day-and she made \$25 a month."

That was a long time ago, of

Mrs. Lillian Rodgers has been postmaster in Bascom since

(Continued on Page 2)



Mrs. Willie H. Andreasen **Greenwood Postmaster**

New Auto Insurance Law Takes Effect On Jan. 1

Florida residents who do not have liability insurance on their private passenger vehicles could find themselves in big trouble after Jan. 1.

That's when Florida's new compulsory no fault insurance regulations go into effect.

After that, a driver involved in an accident must look to his own insurance company to pay for damages to his vehicle--whether or not the accident was his fault.

Because that's what no fault means.

In effect, it doesn't matter who caused the accident. You can't sue the other man's insurance company for up to \$550 damage done to your car. Instead, your own insurance company has to pay for it.

And the other driver's insurance company has to pay for the damage to his car-up to

The penalties attached to the new regulations are steep.

Anyone involved in an accident who doesn't have no fault insurance will lose his driver's license, his auto tag and his auto registration--regardless of whether the accident was his fault.

Furthermore, the uninsured driver will have to pay for his own damages and injuries if he is involved in an accident, even if he is the innocent party.

And, if an accident is the fault of an uninsured driver, he can be sued for the entire cost of damages and injuries.

Floridians who already have liability insurance have nothing to worry about. Their insurance will be changed by their insurance company to the new no fault type by Jan. 1.

The new regulations also apply to non-Floridians in a couple of instances. Out of state residents who remain in Florida for at least 90 days a year and have a car with them must have no fault insurance.

Out of state residents who regularly travel to a place of employment in the state of Florida must have no fault insurance. Anyone who has a child enrolled in a Florida

(Continued on Page 3)

High Schools Honor Rolls

Greenwood and Malone high

Are Announced

schools have released honor rolls for the second six-weeks period of the 1971-72 school year.

Greenwood's honor roll students by grades were:

Twelfth grade--Sharon Cooper, Elmira Pollock, Ervin Long and Pam Davis;

Eleventh--Billy Ray, Martha Edwards, Joyce Cooper, Irene Balcom and Horace Pete;

Tenth-Beverly Jennings and Millie Moncrief;

Ninth--Wilma Fields and Ann

Eighth--Mike Brooks, Anna Mae Balcom, Deborah Bowers, Shelley Cobb and Louie Williams;

Seventh--Belinda Wilson and Dolores Fleming.

Malone's honor roll students, by grades, were:

Twelfth-Brenda Conrad, Catherine Hall, Bobbie Hodges, Carolyn Olive, Brenda Pollock, Sue Smith, Clarence Bellamy, Johnny McAnulty, Nathaniel Snelling, Beverly Lockhart, Debbie Arnold, Angela Garrett, Virginia Creel, Roger Standland, Jimmy Atkins, Chuck Calloway, Bruce McMullian, Norris Robinson and Shirley Williams;

Eleventh -- Gary DeForest, Alford Herring, Kenneth Mathis, Wilbur Porter and Sandra Cox;

Tenth--Cathy Vaughn, Terri McNeal, Edwin Mozley, Rebecca Jordan, David Richey and Greg Skipper;

Ninth-Bobbie Hatcher, Charles Stephens, Ricky Bruner, Gwen Grant, Reggie Patrick, Ruth Hatcher, Phyllis Gilbert, Kaye Long, Daisy McCarter, Sonia Robinson, Wayne Trusty, Butch McMullian, Roger Watford and Vicki Hollingsworth;

Eighth grade--Sandy Helms. Mary Carol Taylor, Kay Williams, Mike Baxter, Wilton (Richy) Cloud, Wayne Davis, Leroy Kindig, Larry Skipper and Barbara Snellgrove;

Seventh--Michael Jordan, Ronald McGriff, Zannie Mount and Wanda Herring.

Greenwood Team Wins Over Liberty

The Greenwood High School Dragons won over Liberty County 41-25 in a home game on Tuesday evening, Dec. 7.

High scorers for Greenwood were Harvey Standland, 13 points, and Al Tripp, 10 points.

The Malone High School Tigers lost their home game to Cottondale on Tuesday evening, Dec. 7, by a score of 80-62.

Rules For A Happy Fisherman

By Joel Parrish

A fisherman is normally a happy animal.

An unusually wise sage has said, "If you would be happy for one day, buy a fifth of whiskey. If you would be happy for one year, get married. But if you would be happy for the rest of your life, learn how to fish."

Following are eight simple rules that are unconditionally guaranteed to brighten the day of any angler.

(1) Never ask a fisherman if the fish he offers you have been cleaned. If they were cleaned, he would keep them himself.

(2) Never tell a fisherman that any of his fish are small. To

Postmasters...

(Continued from Page 2)

1956. In 1963, she began keeping an unusual scrapbook. It contains a picture and a poem about every one of her boxholders. It also contains pictures of old Bascom scenes, stores and houses before they were removed or changed. And sadly, the book contains pictures and poems of a number of Bascom residents who have died.

Mrs. Rodgers once served a patron who thought that dealing with the post office was just like dealing with a store. When the patron was told that the postage on her package would be \$1.60, she told Mrs. Rodgers in stern tones, "I wish I had a way to get to Donalsonville. It's a lot cheaper to mail things over a fisherman there are only two kinds of fish--large and "just good eating size."

(3) Never ask a fisherman where he caught his fish. If he wants you to know, he will tell you. If he doesn't want you to know and you ask him anyway. he will just tell you a lie.

(4) Never miss an opportunity to tell a fisherman that you feel he is probably the best in your part of the country. He already believes that about himself anyway.

(5) Never turn down an invitation to go fishing with a real fisherman. If he invited you to go with him, it is the highest compliment he can pay you. Also, he is wise and you can learn much from him about most anything.

Mrs. Frances Taylor became acting postmaster in Malone in 1951 and postmaster in 1954.

She has some amusing stories, too, about her experiences on job. One day, after five members of the same family had been in to ask if any mail had

Malone, Bascom and *

Rescom *

asked. "No," replied Mrs. * oute one Taylor, barely glancing up. ★ "How would you know," the ★ boy asked, "when you ain't even *because its costs are paid looked?" *entirely from advertising looked?'

And why are the three ladies officially called postmasters? *Would be happy to near 'Because," according to the your news or take your ad if you will call cumbersome sense of humor, "the U.S. Postal Service has no * mistresses."

(6) Never talk business to a fisherman while he is fishing. However, you may gossip, drink beer, tell jokes or swap fish tales. Discussing women is always

good too. But if the fisherman wanted to talk business, he would go back to work.

(7) Never listen to a fisherman's fish stories with a look of doubt on your face. The expression on your face should be one of amazement and admiration when hearing a fishing tale.

(8) Never discourage your husband from going fishing. Instead, always encourage him to go fishing every chance he gets. Kiss him like an angel when he leaves and love him like a devil when he returns.

It would be mighty nice if you would help him clean his catch, too.

That's the reel truth.

THE VENTURE

"No" each time, the Greenwood; and on Bascom, smallest youngster in the family route one; Greenwood, route ne; Marianna, route two; * arrived late in the afternoon. "ne; Marianna, route two; "To we have any mail?" he ordon, star route, and Gordon,

*Costs you nothing

*Cherishes its advertisers

*Would be happy to hear

569-2800

OPEN 7-11 SEVER DAYS EACH WEEK

FANCY & STAPLE GROCERIES

PICNIC & BARBECUE SUPPLIES

MALONE - SNEADS

MR. HOG PRODUCER:

Balance your grain for hogs with Bob's 40 per cent Hog Supplement (concentrate).

\$128.00 PER TON

At your Bob's Feeds dealer in Malone

MALONE TRADING COMPANY

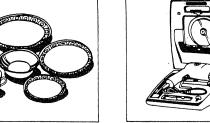


Made by Bob's Feed and Elevator Co. in Dothan and Brundidge

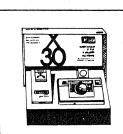
Buy a NEW HOLLAND manure spreader or a grinder-mixer and pick a WINTER BUYER'S BONUS GIFT



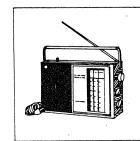
Corning Corelle® Livingware Set



Rockwell Variable Speed 1/2" Drill Kit



Kodak Instamatic® X-30 Color Outfit



General Electric AM/FM Portable Radio

Any one of these gifts becomes your Winter Buyer's Bonus when you buy a new New Holland manure spreader or grinder-mixer. Bonus offer good between Dec. 1, 1971, and Jan. 31, 1972. You get the benefits of quality construction in your New Holland spreader or grinder-mixer for years to come. Stop in today.

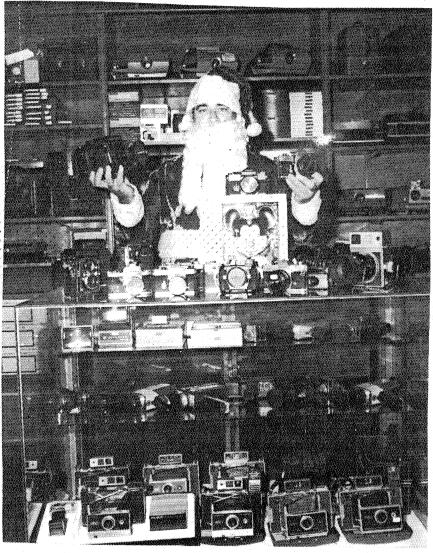
MARIANNA

OLIVER TRACTOR CO. INC.

Lester Jordan

J. W. Jordan

CAMERA HEADQUARTERS



McMullian Is New President Of Cattlemen

L. E. McMullian, Jr., of Bascom, Route one, was elected president of the Jackson County Cattlemen's Association at the organization's annual banquet on Thursday evening, Dec. 2, in the Marianna High School Cafeteria.

Gerald Mason of Campbellton was reelected as vice president and W. E. Collins of Marianna was reelected as secretary. Henry Sims of Marianna is the new treasurer.

Reelected to the board of directors were Sidney P. Hall, Jr., of Malone, Gerald Mason of Campbellton, W. H. Neel of Grand Ridge and Arland Andreasen of Marianna. John Gortemoller of Marianna was also elected to the board of directors.

State Rep. Wayne Mixon introduced the banquet speaker. State Rep. Ted Alvarez of Jacksonville, a dairy farmer. R. D. Bennett, president of the State Cattlemen's Association, also reported to the organization on a recent state meeting.

W.S.C.S. Has Christmas Meet

Members of the Malone Methodist Church W.S.C.S. enjoyed a Christmas devotional program and a covered dish supper at the church on Tuesday evening, Dec. 7.

Present for the occasion were the Rev. and Mrs. A. G. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. John Carson Mathews, Mrs. Sarah Jordan and Cindy Garrett, Mrs. Effie Watford, Mrs. Doris Anderson and Mrs. Della Mozley.

Mrs. Rodgers was surprised with a gift in appreciation for having served as the organization's president.

Auto Insurance...

(Continued from Page 1)

school must have no fault insurance.

The new law has provisions regarding passengers riding in a vehicle which is involved in an accident, and regarding pedestrians who may be hit by

The insurance carried by the driver of a car will protect the passengers if they are members of his household.

If the passenger is not a member of the driver's household, the driver's insurance will protect the passenger only if he has no insurance and does not own a vehicle.

If the passenger owns an uninsured vehicle, he will have to pay for his own injuries because the driver's insurance will not. If the passenger owns an insured vehicle, his insurance will pay for his injuries.

A pedestrian who owns an uninsured vehicle and happens to be hit by an auto while he is walking along the street also will have to pay for his own injuries. However, if his vehicle is insured, then his insurance



Henry Bevis

Henry Bevis Is Featured In News Story

Henry Bevis, formerly of Bascom, was featured recently in a news story in the Tullahoma (Tenn.) News and Guardian, a daily newspaper.

The story concerned work that Bevis is doing with laser beams at Arnold Air Force Base, Tennessee. Bevis is a civilian electronics technician.

Bevis now lives in Hillsburo, Tenn., with his wife, Patsy, and daughters, Julie Carol, 7, and Nancy Susan, 5. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chesley R. Bevis of Bascom and a 1952 graduate of Malone High School.

He graduated from Chipola Junior College in 1954 and continued his studies at Auburn University.

The article explains how the company that Bevis works for has discovered that laser beams can be used to measure air flow speeds. A picture showed Bevis and Mrs. Moody Rodgers, Mr. in a laboratory adjusting the laser equipment.

> company will have to pay for his injuries.

> There is a limit to the amount of damages and injuries that are covered by the no fault law. If the damage to a vehicle is greater than \$550 then the case may be carried to court as under the old laws.

> And if bodily injuries, hospitalization and loss of wages exceeds \$5,000, then the case may be carried to court.

ASCS Announces New Committees

Results of the ASCS community committee election were announced Tuesday, Dec. 7, by the ASCS office in Marianna.

In the Northeast community, which includes Bascom. Greenwood and Malone, Roy

Bascom Assembly

The Sunland Singers of Tallahassee will be the special attraction at a sing on Saturday, Dec. 11, at 7 p.m. in the Bascom Assembly of God Church.

The public is cordially invited.

Hatcher was elected chairman of the committee.

Others elected were Hubert Taylor, vice chairman; Thomas Tyus, member; B. W. Cloud, first alternate, and H. U. Pittman, second alternate.

Community Club To Have Party

The Lovedale-Two Egg Has Sunland Singers Community Club will have its annual Christmas party on Thursday, Dec. 9, at 8 p.m. in the club house, according to President Herman Davis.

> During the evening, a nominating committee will be appointed to select the club's new officers for 1972.

In the rest of the county, results of the election were:

Northwest community--Roy Ming, chairman; Bobby Paulk, vice chairman; J. H. Reeves, member; Culley L. Olds, first alternate, and Sherman White, second alternate.

Southwest community--G. W. Wright, chairman; Wilson Kent, vice chairman; J. W. Padgett, member; C. W. Henderson, first alternate, and Ben F. Daniels, second alternate.

Southeast community--Lamar Branch, chairman; Ben F. Hill, vice chairman; Carl Howell, member; George Johnson, first alternate, and C. L. Hansford, second alternate.

GRANGER

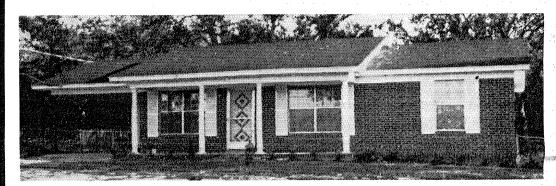
25 Years Experience As A Builder

Plans Available Free Estimates

COTTONWOOD, ALA.

Box 182 Phone 691-3703

Custom-Built Houses From The Ground Up

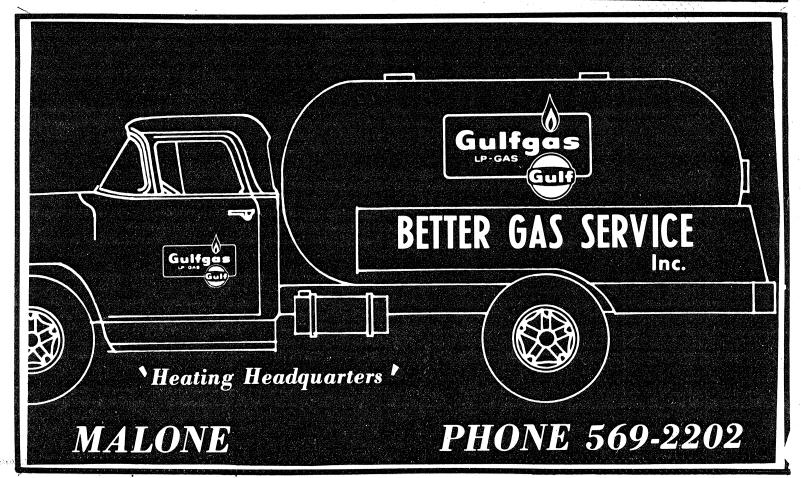


This house, build by Granger Homes, is located in Dudley Community

IT HAS

- * Ceramic Tile Bath
- * Built-In Range and Oven
- * Paneling in Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen and Den

This House Can Be Yours For \$11,500--Not \$16,500



Bill Aims To Aid Jackson And Other Rural Counties

While a small portion of Florida has grown richer and richer, the rest of the state has grown poorer and poorer.

That's the gist of the "alarming economic facts" that were given to the Florida Legislature by Rep. Wayne Mixon last week as he asked for an emergency \$200,000 appropriation to attract industry to the state's poorer counties.

And there is no question about it. Jackson County belongs on the poorer and poorer side of the ledger.

Also backing the legislation--and responsible for the statistics--was William Stanton, executive vice president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce and president of the Big Bend Council of Chambers of Commerce.

The Big Bend Council, a coalition of chambers of commerce in 12 North Florida counties, hopes to convince the legislature that attracting job-producing industry to Florida's rural counties will benefit the entire state.

Balanced Growth

What is really needed, says the Council, is to spread the industrial wealth into the depressed rural areas where jobs are badly needed--and away from the congested cities where new growth only adds problems.

Stanton explained that between 1960 and 1970 three Florida counties--Broward, Dade and Pinellas--received almost 50 per cent of the total "migration" into Florida. The result has been overcrowding and pollution in those areas.

During the same 10-year period, many of Florida's rural counties--like Jackson--were losing population and growing poorer in relation to the rest of the nation.

'We must reduce the continued concentration of industry in our major metropolitan centers," Stanton said, "and stimulate the growth and development of less heavily populated sections of our state, with a view toward providing a more diversified and better balanced distribution of our

Alternative For Youth

Locating industries in rural areas, Stanton said, will give Floridians, "Particularly younger generations, an alternative to moving to urban areas for career and wage-earning opportunities because the migration to the core cities by our rural youth has been caused more by economic necessity (lack of available well-paying jobs) than by choice of a different environment."

In a memorandum sent to the $% \left\{ 1,...,n\right\}$ members of the Legislature, Stanton listed eleven "alarming economic facts" in support of his arguments. Upon request, he has provided The Venture with statistics which show where Jackson County stands in relation to his original list of facts. (The Jackson County statistics are identified by stars.)

The Alarming Facts

Twenty-six of Florida's 67 counties have over 50 per cent of their families living on poverty incomes below \$5,000 annually.

37.3 per cent of the families in Florida, over 877,000 families, are living on poverty levels of income (less than \$5,000 annually).

All counties except Brevard had over 30 per cent of their families living at poverty levels of income in 1970.

*Jackson County is one of the 26 counties with more than 50 per cent of its families living on poverty incomes; 57.5 per cent of Jackson County families had incomes below \$5,000 in 1970.

Over 50 per cent of all working Floridians are employed in the three lowest paying industries. (The three industries are agriculture with a state-wide average weekly wage of \$75;

retail trade with a state-wide average weekly salary of \$77.33; and services, with a state-wide average weekly wage of \$86.39.)

Only three--Dade, Broward and Brevard-of Florida's 67

counties have rates of per capita (per person) income equal to the national average of \$3,699. The citizens of 26 other states, when measured by this standard, are better off than Floridians.

Forty-two Florida counties have per capita income below the Southeast average of \$2,971.

Eighteen Florida counties lost per capita income between 1968 and 1969, a situation that doesn't exist in a healthy economy.

Only twelve Florida counties were able to keep pace with increases in the national and southeastern averages of per capita income between 1968 and 1969. Thus, the income position of 55 Florida counties declined in relation to the national and southeastern averages of per capita income.

*Jackson County's per capita income was below the national and southeastern averages in 1968 and 1969. The county's 1968 per capita income of \$2,613 increased in 1969 to \$2,691. But while Jackson County's per capita income increased by \$78, the national per capita income increased by \$274 and the Southeastern per capita income increased by \$294.

Over half of Florida's people live on less than 10 per cent of the state's land area (in the five largest counties of Dale, Duval, Broward, Pinellas and Hillsborough), and this high concentration of population has resulted in increased pollution, critical problems of housing and transportation, unhealthy living conditions and increased crime.

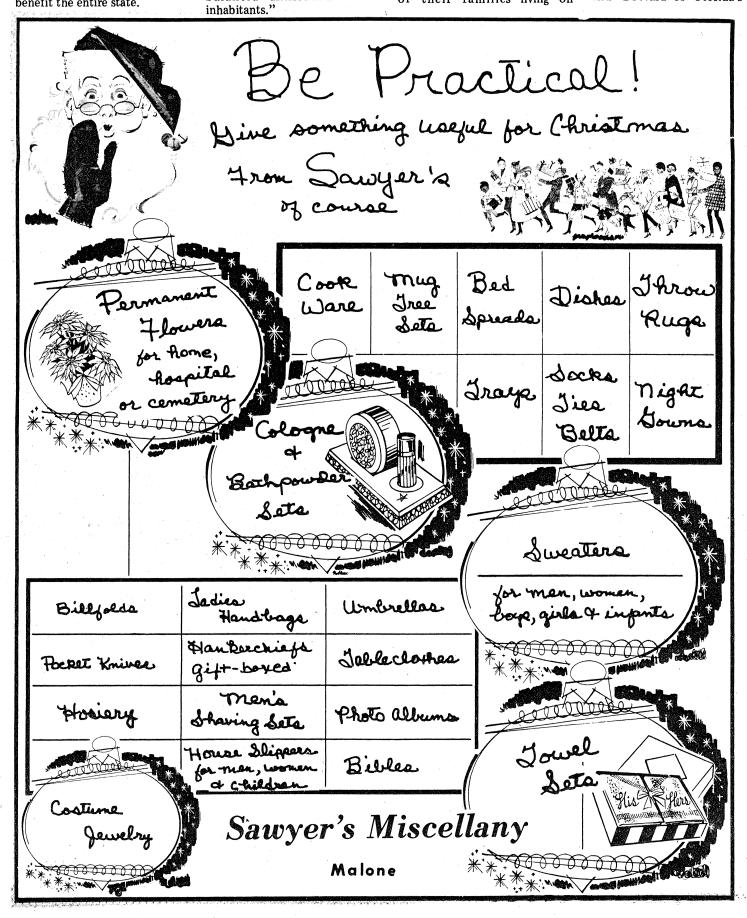
During the decade of 1960-70, three Florida counties (Broward, Dade and Pinellas) received almost 50 per cent of the total migration into Florida, and the location and expansion of industries in these major state metropolitan centers continues to attract more people to these highly congested areas, thus further aggravating and intensifying unwholesome conditions.

Forty-three of our 67 counties account for only 11.2 per cent of our total population.

*Over-population is no problem in Jackson County which lost 4.9 per cent in population, from 36,208 to 34,434, between 1960 and 1970. Jackson County ranks 36th in size of population among Florida's 67 counties with only .5 per cent of the state population. Jackson and the 35 counties that are smaller in population contain only 7.9 per cent of the state's total population. Jackson County has a population density of less than one person per acre.

HOG CONFERENCE

Announcement has been made of a forthcoming Hampshire Meat Hog Conference at the Fairgrounds Livestock Pavilion in Quincy on Jan. 13, 14, and 15, 1972.



PERSONALS

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Andreasen in Greenwood for Thanksgiving dinner were Mrs. Hazel Andreasen of Greenwood, Robert Slama, Ricky and Rita of Ft. Walton Beach and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Griffin and Eric of Newton, Ala.

Jeanette Andreasen of Greenwood accompanied Susan Richter of Marianna for a Thanksgiving weekend visit with Susan's grandparents in Pelham,

Mrs. Elva Clark spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Malone with Mrs. Doris Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Jordan, Jr., entertained with a chili supper on Friday, Nov. 26. The guests were Mrs. E. L. Mozley, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Mozley, Edwin and Cyndy, all of Malone; Mrs. Chris Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Murphy of Montgomery, Ala., Pat Murphy of Troy, Ala., Mike and Linda Lawrence of Mobile, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris, Carolyn, Janice and Anita of Palatka, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Futch of Palatka, Jeff Paulk of Malone and Ronnie Capan of Headland, Ala.

Mrs. John Lawrence of Mobile visited her mother, Mrs. Della Mozley, in Malone last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pegram of Tallahassee and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Windham of Atlanta, Ga., spent Thanksgiving Day with Mrs. Windham's mother, Mrs. Vera Welch, in Malone. Mrs. Welch's son, William Welch and his family of Ormond Beach, spent the past weekend with Mrs. Welch in Malone.

WANT ADS

WANT TO BUY: Used piano in good condition. Call 569-2334 (Malone), or 482-5128 (Marianna).

FOR SALE: Service age Hampshire boars and commercial crossbred gilts. Larry Ford, Greenwood, route one. Phone 569-2868.

FOR SALE: Sears portable dishwasher. Practically new, hardly used. \$75. 569-2427. Mrs. J. W. Stewart, Malone.

FOR SALE: Smith Corona portable adding machine in excellent condition. Write Hugh Rountree, P. O. Box 932, Perry, Fla. 32347.

FOR SALE: Nine beautiful Shetland ponies. Very Reasonable. Call 482-2963 (Marianna).

L & M SEPTIC TANK CO. Sales, installations and cleaning. Malone, 569-2358.

FOR SALE: Want ads in The Venture. Very reasonable. Five cents per word, one dollar minimum charge. Leave ads at office in rear of Sawyer's Miscellany, Malone.

In The Hospital

Emory Thompson of Bascom, who suffered a heart attack about 4:30 a.m. on Dec. 1, is reported to be improving at Seminole Memorial Hospital in Donalsonville.

Charlie Anderson of Malone, who was injured in an automobile accident on Dec. 2 that took the life of Joe Wesley Mercer, is recuperating from chest and back injuries at Southeast General Hospital in Dothan.

Green Jordan, Sr., of Malone was admitted to Southeast General Hospital in Dothan on Sunday.

G. D. Tidwell of Gordon, Route one, is in Seminole Memorial Hospital in Donalsonville. He received a back injury when his car overturned twice Wednesday morning, Dec. 1, on an unpaved road east of Malone near Buddy Rogers' house.

W. W. Cutchin Burial Was In Bascom

Funeral services for Willis Wilson Cutchin of Jay, a native of Jackson County, were held Wednesday, Dec. 1, in the Bascom Church of God.

The Rev. Alma R. James and the Rev. James Martin officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Curchin died at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 29, following a long illness. He had lived most of his 51 years on Greenwood, Route one, before moving to Jay.

Survivors include his wife, Mavis Cutchin; a son, Willis Raymond Cutchin; three daughters, Judy, Jeanette and Tammie Cutchin, all of Jay; four sisters and three brothers.

J. W. Mercer Funeral Service Was Saturday

Funeral services for Joe Wesley Mercer of Gordon, Route one, were held Saturday afternoon, Dec. 4, in the Hickory Grove Baptist Church. The Rev. William Plazarin officiated.

Mr. Mercer lost his life in an automobile accident north of Cottonwood on Thursday, Dec. 2. He was 77.

Mr. Mercer was a life-long resident of Houston County, a farmer, and a veteran of World War I.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Willie Bell Mercer of Gordon, Route one; five daughters, Mrs. Wallace Odom of Avon, Mrs. Foy Pynes of Dothan, Mrs. James D. Clark of Tampa, Mrs. Winston Weems of Bainbridge, Ga., and Mrs. Leslie Jones of Columbus, Ga.; four sons, James A. Mercer of Tampa, Randall Mercer of Moultrie, Ga., Edward Mercer of Cottonwood and J. W. Mercer of St. Louis. Mo.; a sister, Mrs. Rosie Lee Adams of Cottonwood; a brother, Ed Mercer of Colquitt. Ga.; 34 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. *********************

Band Fish Fry Is Saturday

Plates of fried fish with all the trimmings will be served by the Malone High School Band Boosters on Saturday, Dec. 11, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the: school cafeteria.

The plates will be \$1.25 each. Tickets may be bought at the door on Saturday evening or purchased in advance from any: band booster.

Proceeds of the fish fry will: be spent on the band's: expenses--uniforms, instruments and trips.

Funeral Held Wednesday For Johnnie H. Hatcher

The Venture

Funeral services for Johnnie H. Hatcher of Greenwood, Route one, were held Wednesday morning, Dec. 8, at Friendship Baptist Church.

The Rev. J. D. Millwood and the Rev. Jim Martin officiated. Burial was in Friendship Cemetery.

Mr. Hatcher was stricken about 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 6. He was rushed by ambulance to Jackson Hospital in Marianna but was pronounced

dead upon arrival.

Mr. Hatcher, 78, was a native and life-long resident of Jackson County. He was a retired farmer and a member of Friendship Baptist Church.

GOLDEN WEDDING

The Golden Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Talley, Sr., will be celebrated with a reception at their home on Bascom, Route one, from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12. Their children will be hosts.

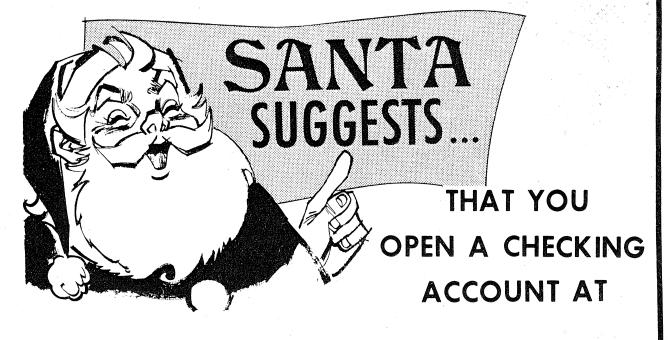
Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Martha Ham Hatcher of Greenwood, Route one; three daughters, Mrs. Vera Green and Mrs. Maddie Kirkland of Davenport, and Mrs. Clemmie Elmore of Winter Haven; four sons, Willie B. Hatcher of Winter Haven, Leonard Earl Hatcher of Gordon, Route one, Roy F. Hatcher of Greenwood, Route one, and Troy Ander Hatcher of Plymouth; 30 grandchildren, 40 great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren; one brother, W. W. Hatcher of Greenwood, Route one; and two sisters, Mrs. Maggie Conrad and Mrs. Delia Baxter of Malone.

Active pallbearers were Ben Hall, Rozell Taylor, John Thomas King, Luther Paul Conrad, Jimmy Ditty and Alex Fears, Sr.

Honorary pallbearers were T. K. Snipes, W. W. Bryan, Will Johnson, J. T. Hagler, Hartwell Taylor and Johnny Williams.

Evans Funeral Home of Donalsonville was in charge of arrangements.





The Farmers Bank Of Malone

Then you'll know how you spent your money in December.

Your bank statement will remind you.



EACH ACCOUNT INSURED TO \$20,000 **MALONE**

OPEN SIX DAYS EACH WEEK Monday-Saturday 8 a.m. -12; 1 p.m. -2 p.m.

Closed Thursday Afternoons