

OKEECHOBEE

(Special to The Herald.)

Okeechobee, Oct. 8.—The county council of defense under the management of Judge G. F. Parker, chairman; L. M. Raulerson, Liberty loan chairman; R. E. Hamrick, war savings chairman; and Mrs. D. E. Austin, chairman women's war work; and Mrs. B. F. Davis, Red Cross chairman, is combining all the different organizations under one head for the sale of fourth Liberty loan bonds. This county's quota is \$34,000.00—about \$20.00 per capita, or about the same as war savings quota. A permanent program committee has been appointed by Chairman Parker to arrange programs for the community sings each Friday evening; Mrs. D. E. Austin, chairman; Mrs. F. E. Thomasson, and Mrs. T. B. Owens.

C. C. Cash, representing the state employment bureau, with headquarters at Jacksonville, has been here several days to provide transportation and employment for Okeechobee county's quota of essential war workers. The county was asked for sixteen and more than twice that number volun-

teered their services. The failure of the potato market has left many people in the ranks of the unemployed, owing to lack of financial backing to "pitch" a fall crop. Several of these have already sought employment in various government war jobs, and others are anxious to join their ranks.

The senior class of Okeechobee county high school has recently perfected a class organization, as follows: class president, Miss Beryl Lovvorn; vice-president and treasurer, Miss Dorothy Darrow; secretary, Miss Nellie Turner; class flower, asparagus fern; class colors, royal blue and old gold; class motto, "Vires Acquiret eundo" (It gains strength as it goes); class advisors, Miss Jewel Wicker and Mrs. W. R. Terrell.

Mrs. R. P. Fletcher and children left Wednesday for Ray City, Ga., for a few months' vacation visiting relatives.

The fishing industry on Lake Okeechobee is showing better reports than it has in several years. The fish packing houses here iced, packed and shipped 158,000 pounds the past week.

Miss Hazel Bennett, primary teacher in the Okeechobee public school, spent the week-end at Sanford.

The local chapter of the Red Cross has just completed collecting its quota of clothing for the Belgian relief commission, and shipped it to headquarters to be forwarded overseas. They have also their quota of towels for the use of American soldiers in France.

Howard E. Dimick left Tuesday for Jacksonville to enlist in the marine corps. Edgar Lovvorn went to DeLand last week to enter the students' army training corps at Stetson University. Both were sergeants in the home guards.

Mrs. Nan Coon has returned after spending some time in the mountains of Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Evernden have returned home after a month's vacation, during which they visited Washington and New York.

Superintendent R. E. Hamrick made a business trip to West Palm Beach last week.

At the close of the home guards' drill Thursday night, all the members were invited to the home of Judge and Mrs. G. F. Parker, where refreshments were served. Miss Leslie Manard furnished music. Mrs. Parker was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. D. E. Austin.

R. S. Waldrop, of New Smyrna, was in town this week selling Liberty bonds to the employes of the Florida East Coast Railway company.

Mrs. G. M. Lamb has bought the Chandler restaurant, and is having a new addition built.

Four-minute speeches are now a part of the community sing programs. Judge Lovvorn spoke last Friday night. Mrs. W. R. Terrell has been appointed speaker for the next sing. Dr. G. T. Bennett and William Collins made speeches at the home guard drill Tuesday night. These will hereafter be a part of the program at

each drill. At the movie hall Wednesday night the four-minute speakers are Judge Lovvorn, Rev. T. D. Hux and Miss Lillian Thomason.

Miss Helen Jones has entered the Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee.

Miss Margaret Thomason left last week for Sutherland, where she entered Southern College.