

The Diary of "E. Z. LIFE"

Wintering at DAVENPORT, FLORIDA



Some Wilmette and Chicago People at HOLLY HILL INN

The Diary

- Jan. 19. Awoke early. Saw the beautiful sunrise. Almost as glorious as the sunset. Hied me to golf course. Had round with pro, George Christ. He is a fine fellow and an excellent golfer. Mrs. Life feeling fine and fast becoming an efficient shuffleboard player. Says she believes the exercise is beneficial. Her putting on the lawn putting green is remarkable. Enjoy the orange juice served at the Inn every evening.
- Jan. 20. Made up party to attend Polk County Orange Festival at Winter Haven. Many wonderful exhibits. The citrus fruit displays were particularly beautiful. Much bigger affair than I expected. About 200 booths with displays. Nearly everything represented. Davenport has beautiful booth. Looks like a prize winner. The nursery display at this booth is particularly attractive. Understand the palms and shrubs were raised in the Holly Hill Nurseries. Made high score in bridge at our table this evening.
- Jan. 21. Left early for fishing trip to Tower Lake this morning with C. F. and George. Landed big eight pounder. Had quite a battle. These big mouth bass like a tussle and and know how to fight. Great sport. Fishing good here. Landed a number of smaller ones. Had picture taken with fish. Chef cooked it for our supper. Had fine day and retired early.
- Jan. 22. Made up motor party. Toured to Lake Wales along the Ridge. Wonderful rolling country with many lakes, some very large ones. Made second visit to Mountain Lake where many millionaires have palatial homes. C. F. and George thought it wonderful. They love this country. Don't blame them. I love it, too. Stopped at Orange festival on return trip. This is last day of fair. See where Davenport was awarded third prize in decorative class. \$25 cash trophy. Think they should have won first.
- Jan. 23. Pastor preached splendid sermon this morning. Several from Inn attended the services. Have nice, homey-like church here. Drove to groves after dinner with party from Cincinnati. They have large tract and delighted with it. Brother George wants to buy grove. Told him to go to it. Nothing better in Florida. Says the best he has seen. Guests owning groves here at Inn all enthusiastic. Say Davenport has a sure future.
- Jan. 24. Back to the links. Brought my score down to 89. Certainly feel great. Feel like I have taken ten years off my life. The weather has been wonderful and today is like Spring. It certainly is a treat to be rid of snow and ice. On cool evenings here they have blazing log fire. Makes it so home-like. Finest class of guests I have ever met at a winter resort hotel. Must be the atmosphere. They are congeniality personified.
- Jan. 25. Lounged on veranda after breakfast. Took sun bath. Wonderful tonic. They say the sun here has curative powers. Believe it. Mrs. Life attests to it and I am living specimen of health. Plenty of outdoor life here. Golf, shuffleboard, croquet, boating, fishing, hunting, motoring and even bathing and then some. Its well worth the trip and expense. The rates here at Inn are very reasonable. See where Columbian Quartette is coming here on Saturday. Have bought tickets.

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