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TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS AND READERS

The city of Ocala has subscribed \$1,500 for the payment of premiums, which will amount to some \$1,100 and the balance to incidental expenses to make the Marion county fair a possibility. Now we desire our correspondents to interview the people in their sections, talk up the fair, urge them to make exhibits and visit the same. Get into this desirable and commendable project and see if Marion county can not make a display that will be a credit to the farmers and the producers of this county. Do not think you don't have anything to display. A fair is made is made up from every product grown in the county created by its people from the prize pig down to the pumpkin pie like mother used to make. The farmer has a horse, a colt, a cow, a calf, peanuts, sweet potatoes, hogs, good hay etc.; his wife some fine jelly, preserves, jam a well made quilt or some fancy needlework. Make preparations to show it. If you will get together the county fair is bound to be a success.

STAND UP FOR OUR STATE INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING

We desire our readers to read carefully a synopsis of the arguments made by Hon. N. P. Bryan, of Jacksonville, chairman of the party in control of our state institutions of learning, on why the voters and taxpayers of the state should ratify the amendment to the constitution levying a one mill tax for the support of those schools and not leave it to the caprice and often the prejudices and political bickerings and factions that array themselves on legislative matters affecting the administration. Let us remove this question of school support above all such selfish influences and treat these schools the same as we do our free public schools. We can not see that this amendment will in any way effect our taxes, but certainly it will remove entanglements and permit the schools to live up to their full field of usefulness by an assured steady income, which the state board of control is better fitted to disburse than the legislature. We want those institutions to grow and enlarge their usefulness, and therefore let us give them the proper assistance.

A TOUR OF THE COUNTY

After the election is over and this precious county of ours is saved from its impending political danger, Messrs. E. K. Robinson and D. S. Williams, president and secretary respectively of the Marion County Fair Association, will make a tour of the county in the interest of the fair. These gentlemen are not doing this for the paltry dollars, but for the glory and prestige there is in it for those who are willing to cooperate and show that Marion county is the banner county of the state, to promote and incite greater efforts of our producers. This county display will be a school of instruction, an object lesson to all who desire to see what their neighbors are doing. Let these gentlemen your attention. Let them persuade you to take a hand in this importance enterprise, maybe you may have the winning one and, if not, it will make you feel good to see the other fellow feel good over his victory.

STETSON'S NEW LIBRARY

The New Carnegie Library at Stetson University has been opened to the faculty and students. It is a splendid building with complete modern equipment. It is a United States government depository for the state of Florida. It represents an investment of more than a hundred and twenty thousand dollars in buildings, endowment and books. The building proper is the princely gift of Andrew Carnegie. The endowment, or up-keep fund, is the generous gift of the Countess of Santa Eulalia, formerly Mrs. John B. Stetson. A new dormitory for young men is in course of erection on the campus of Stetson University. The enrollment in all departments of the university is larger this year than ever before in the history of the school. Two large dwellings have been rented near the campus to provide temporary accommodations for the young men who could not secure places in Stetson Hall, Conrad Hall and East Hall. The faculty at Stetson has been increased by the addition of six more professors and instructors. There are now more than fifty professors and instructors on the teaching force in all the schools and colleges of the university. They hold degrees from such institutions as the University of Chicago, Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Dartmouth, Columbia, Toronto, Wake Forest, Louisville, Bowdoin, Utrecht, University of Michigan, Bucknell, Pennsylvania University, Woman's College of Baltimore, Woman's College of Richmond and others.

MYSTERIOUS DOUBLE MURDER

Greenfield, Mass., Oct. 29.—A double tragedy, surrounded by mysterious circumstances, occurred here last night. Benjamin E. Gaines, 39 years of age, and Miss Harriett Mabel Wing, ten years younger, were found dying from bullet wounds, at Miss Wing's boarding house. Both expired without making a statement. The police expressed the opinion that the man shot the woman and then killed himself, but no reason for the shooting is known. Miss Jennie Reed, while passing the house, heard groans, and upon investigating found the bodies of Gaines and Miss Wing. The latter was lying on the ground near the piazza, where she had probably fallen when shot, and that of Gaines, was hanging over the piazza railing. A revolver was also found on the piazza. Miss Wing had three bullet wounds in her right breast. Gaines was suffering from a bullet wound in the right temple. Gaines and Miss Wing had been seen frequently in each other's company. Gaines was an inspector of work at a machine shop. Miss Wing was a salesgirl in a local department store.

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Who is Eligible The girl or lady, single or married, living in the city of Ocala or who received her mail from the Ocala post-office, receiving the highest number of votes during the continuation of the contest will receive one of the pianos.

In the County The girl or lady, single or married, living elsewhere in the county, outside of the jurisdiction of Ocala, receiving the highest number of votes, will receive the other piano.

The coupons will appear in next week's issue of the Weekly Star and in an early issue of the Evening Star, and full details of the plan will be published.

Get Ready Now Some one by doing some good work for herself and getting her friends to work for her, will get one of these pianos in Ocala and another in the county at large will be equally as fortunate. Bear the matter in mind and get ready for the contest, for there is going to be some lively rivalry and two splendid rewards will be earned. THE DAILY AND WEEKLY STAR, C. L. Bittinger, R. R. Carroll, Proprietors.

STATE SUPPORTED SCHOOLS

Hon. N. P. Bryan, of Jacksonville, a member of the state board of control of the educational institutions of the state, is out in a long letter setting forth the claims of the proposed amendment to the state constitution, levying a one mill tax for the support of said institutions, instead of leaving said appropriations to the legislature. His letter is a very lucid, interesting and instructive document, urging the passage of this amendment on the voters of the state.

We would like to reproduce the letter, but it is too long and would make four columns of reading matter, but shall attempt to give its leading points. He avers the acts of Congress appropriating two township units of land in each county in the state for two seminaries of learning, one east and one west of the Suwannee river. Interest on sale of such land amounts to \$4,000 annually; also the agricultural lands grant of 30,000 acres for each senator and representative to provide agricultural colleges in each state and maintain them. It is around this fund state universities have been built up. Also the Morrill act, appropriating for the benefit of agricultural colleges the sum of \$25,000, but which sum must be shared alike for white and colored students. Again the Nelson act of 1907, with an additional appropriation by Congress of \$5.00 per year, subject to the same provisions as the other acts. Another, the Hatch act, appropriating \$15,000 for scientific agricultural experiments, added to the Adams act, \$5,000 per year, until the sum reaches \$30,000. The beneficiaries of these several acts are:

The University of the State of Florida, which received for the purposes mentioned, the benefit of one half of the seminary institute fund, amounting to two thousand dollars. The experiment station will receive \$1913 from the Hatch and Adams funds thirty thousand dollars. The Florida Female College receives one-half of the seminary institute fund amounting to \$2,000. The Colored Normal School receives one-half of the Morrill and Nelson funds, which by 1913 will amount to \$25,000.

The Institute for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb is dependent wholly upon state appropriations. The university does not get the benefit of this money. It must be used solely for scientific investigation and experiments along agricultural lines. The experimental station is located at Gainesville and the state gets benefit of experiments made at that station. None of this federal money can be used for buildings. The state must do this and disseminate the information, hence the farmers' institutions and the free distribution of experimental station bulletins. Such information is invaluable, if those interested will only receive and apply it. The state is in duty and honor bound in accepting these appropriations to supply the buildings and equipment.

He then recites the acts of the state legislature to provide for schools of higher education. He says he knows the prejudice existing in the minds of many people as to the education of the negro, but believes state appropriation for the colored normal, accommodates that race as cheaply as is done in the public schools. The board of control will always be composed of white men, hence the people can depend on the board to act impartially as between the schooling of the whites and blacks. He then tells of the good work done by the university, that of the teacher of secondary education, whose work is helping build up new schools and fostering those already established. The state schools are hampered largely by the uncertainties of their income and to remedy this and relieve the legislature of this work, in which there is such a diversity of views about what constitutes economy and efficient support, this amendment is offered. By this means the education institu-

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tions of the state would be freed of pernicious political activity. They belong to the people and there should be no factions, differences of opinion, support. It is mandatory upon the legislature to provide a uniform system of public free schools and liberal maintenance of same. The free schools live on the state and county levy, hence their protection. Not so with the state's schools. They should have the same support. This amendment would put our higher institutions of learning on a solid foundation, and other states have tried this and find the plan to work admirably. Why not Florida?

"Mr. Bryan says: 'A permanent source of income will be provided and it could be known definitely what to expect and plans could be laid accordingly. Moreover, this income being a specified tax on the part of the state, would adjust itself to the property values in the state, and increase with the state's increasing prosperity and growth, so that as the state grows larger and richer our higher institutions grow and their needs increase, and increasing income will be provided to meet increasing needs, and no man need feel the burden. The institutions would merely have their proportionate and proper share in the growth and prosperity of the state. It is another case of 'many hands make light work'—no man would feel it, it would do higher education in the state aid, therefore, the state itself incalculable good."

"The committee of the last legislature which visited these four institutions of yearning was composed of

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Senators John Neal, E. S. Crill and D. J. Baker, on the part of the senate, and Messrs. J. W. Knight, of Citrus county, J. N. Willis, of Levy county, E. L. Wartman, of Marion county and W. C. G. Kilgore, of Sumter county, and this committee after visiting each of these institutions, and appreciating the benefits which would result to the state, unanimously recommended to the legislature the passage of this constitutional amendment and it was passed by a large majority of the house and there was only one vote against it in the senate. Therefore, the legislature itself is on record as being in favor of providing an income for these institutions by a constitutional amendment, and it was their judgment that an appropriation of one mill ought to be sufficient for their care and maintenance."

AN EXTRA SESSION AFTER THE ELECTION

Governor Broward Again Accused of an Intention to Force Superfluous Legislation on the State

Tallahassee, Oct. 29.—It is unofficially announced that Governor Broward will call an extra session of the legislature to convene shortly after the election. This rumor has the earmarks of authenticity, although the governor is publicly silent on the subject, save to say that he will issue a statement within a few days.

It is understood that the governor has stated positively to those of the inner circle that the session will be held as soon after the election as practicable. It is pretty safe, therefore, to calculate that the session will be called for about November 15th. It will require some days for the election returns to be officially received and for the attendant formality of issuing certificates of election to the members of the legislature.

Democratic Victory Assured

There can be no doubt as to the election of the democratic nominees, but there are several tickets in the field. For presidential electors, there are thirty nominees, with five to be chosen. Only in the list of electors are all the six parties recognized in Florida running. The democrats, republicans, populists, socialists, independent and prohibitionists have all made nominations for electors, but the other part of the ticket is blank for the populists, prohibitionists and independents. The republicans and socialists have a full state ticket out.

A feature of the socialist ticket is the appearance of the name of Mrs. S. F. J. Linn as the nominee for state superintendent of public instruction. It is probably the first time in the history of the state that a woman has been nominated for a state office. In the lower counties of the state the socialist vote is numerous, but not large enough to be seriously considered.

Cause of the Extra Session

With the certainty of an extra session speculation is again general as to the causes to be enumerated in the call. Since he is to delay the session until after the election it is manifestly the purpose of the governor to call the new legislature into session. The program of the body will be greatly changed and the critics of the administration will have to find some other talking point than the circumstance that the governor, being certain of a victory, has called the legislature through any of his pet measures that he chose to. When the new legislature convenes it will be as much an unknown quantity to the governor as it will be to the individual members, perhaps, and it is reasonably certain that the workings of the legislature will not truly indicate their attitude on the questions that will be submitted to the body.

Possible Results of the Session

It may be that the extra session being held in advance of the regular session which meets in April of next year under Governor Gilchrist will indicate the affiliations of the members to such a degree that the information will be useful to Governor Broward in the event that he feels called upon to take a hand in shaping certain legislation during the next regular session when he shall have been succeeded by Gilchrist. It is not anticipated that he will attempt to play the part of lobbyist after he is out of office, but those near to the governor know that he is so earnestly interested in the drainage of the Everglades that he has declared that the project should be consummated whether he was in or out of office. His account may be taken to mean that he expects to be on hand during the next session if his present plans for drainage do not go through to his satisfaction before he quits the office of governor.

Need for Extra Session

It does not appear on the surface what imperative need there is for an extra session, since the term of the present legislature expires on the 1st of next year. It is something to complete the deals for drainage now on, or to make some provision legal that it necessary to put the subject out of politics before the succession of Gilchrist. In view of the tacitly hostile attitude of Gilchrist to the drainage project it becomes in the eyes of the governor a matter of paramount importance that the money which has already been expended in drainage and the purchase of machinery shall not be lost by discontinuing the operations of this stage when they have gotten only well under way.

The Revenue Fund

Some time ago the need for an extra session seemed urgent for the reason that the general revenue fund was depleted and appropriations were not paid, and it looked as if the only way to provide for current expenses would be to divert some of the other funds into the general revenue fund. But the finances have been managed in such a way as to make diversion by legal enactment unnecessary. Money from license collections is now being turned into the general revenue fund in sufficient volume to keep a substantial balance on hand above the current demands, though it may be that this matter will have attention in the call for the extra session that is to be. According to law, the session will be called to convene within ten days after the date of the call and the length of the extra term will be twenty days.

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LED THE STRENUOUS LIFE

Various and Incessant Employments of J. D. Frink, for Whom the Supreme Court has Ordered Another Trial (Tampa Times, 28th.)

The supreme court of Florida has reversed the decision of the criminal court of record of this county in the case of the state vs. J. D. Frink, accused of embezzling funds of the Plant City, Arcadia & Gulf railroad. When he was agent and superintendent of that branch of the Seaboard Air Line at Plant City, Frink was tried in the criminal court here last December for grand embezzlement, convicted by the jury and sentenced by Judge Gordon to five years in the penitentiary.

The case was reviewed by Justice Hocker and concurred in by the remainder of the court. It is remarkable for a new trial. In reviewing the testimony, Judge Hocker said:

"It appears that there were ten stations along this road (P. C. A. & G.) where freight and passengers were received and discharged. Frink really was a sort of a manager of this road and responsible for all moneys received or due, and all moneys paid out for work. Frink had one man to assist him in Plant City, who received \$50 to \$60 per month, and one other man at another station, who received \$15 per month, and another man at another station who received \$5 per month. Frink was held responsible for all freight at all points on the road. He was paid \$100 a month. In busy times he sometimes acted as conductor and engineer. He usually worked from 6 o'clock in the morning until 9 or 11 at night. It does not appear that Frink was furnished with a cash book or, indeed, any other sort of books, or that he had a bookkeeper. Frink was permitted to operate this road as best he could until the 20th of July, 1907. His accounts were not checked up for about a year. Then the traveling auditor of the Seaboard came along and checked him up. He found Frink's accounts in a state of confusion and found him short about \$3,200. On a re-checking this amount was considerably reduced. Mr. Frink then hired an accountant and made out his shortage about \$1,100.

"From reading all the evidence we are not impressed with the fact that any part of the alleged shortage actually came into Frink's possession, or that it might not have been the result of a very poor system of accounting, which may have been the result of inadequate assistance in the discharge of burdensome and conflicting duties."

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