

**EVENING STAR**

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**NO PAPER TOMORROW**

The Star will not issue a paper tomorrow, Christmas day. It is not necessary to give a reason.

**A CORRECTION**

The Star of Monday contained the following paragraph in its report of the council proceedings:

"The council took up the matter of the suspension of City Marshal Dinkins and the charges preferred against him by Mayor Robertson some ten days ago and ratified the suspension until the charges could be investigated. Mr. Geo. W. Baisden, of the night force, was temporarily made city marshal to act until the matter is settled."

This is incorrect and misleading because the issue between the mayor and the city council was whether the power of suspending or discharging a member of the city police force resided in the mayor or the city council. The opinion of the city attorney and Judge Richard McConathy was that the mayor had no such power; that said power was vested in the city council, but in view of the fact that the mayor had preferred charges against Marshal Dinkins, suspended said officer from duty until the said charges could be investigated by the council, which investigation is called for at next Tuesday's meeting of that body. In a word Mayor Robertson, under the opinion given by the attorneys, exceeded his authority. The substance of the charges preferred against the marshal by the mayor is as follows: Having a house of ill fame, countenancing a slot machine, appropriating a pistol taken from a prisoner to his own use and shielding a prisoner.

Mr. Maxwell of the Florida House, has sold his interest in the lease of the same to a Mr. Dabbs, who is now in charge. Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell have moved to Jacksonville, where Mr. Maxwell will put his tie tamping machine on the market. He thinks so well of Ocala that he may return next fall and assume charge of a new hotel Mr. J. M. Meffert will erect on the corner opposite the Carmichael & Son company.

Mr. David Her of Lady Lake was in town yesterday attending the auction sale of horses. Mr. Her will again embark on a large scale in growing watermelons for 1910. He has been uniformly successful, but this year will add another gang plow to his farm equipments and buy fertilizers to the sum of \$4,000. Hit or miss, the season over, Mr. Her and his good wife will take a trip to their "Fatherland" once more to see old friends and faces.

Miss Adele Bittinger returned home this morning from Randolph-Macon College to spend the holidays with her parents. She was accompanied by Miss Maggie Lytle, who went to Stanton to spend Christmas at home. The Southern train into Jacksonville carried nine sleepers with every berth taken, and arrived six hours late. The train from Jacksonville carried three sleepers, a chair car and three day coaches, with every seat taken. There is some holiday traveling.

The famous Wardlaw sisters, now in prison in New York and New Jersey, accused of the murder of Mrs. O'cey Snead, are known to some people in Ocala. The Wardlaws and Sneads were two old-time Southern families, who lived before the war at Oglethorpe, Ga. Some twenty years ago they removed to Tennessee, and after being residents of that state a number of years, the three sisters went north. It is the opinion of those who know them that Mrs. Caroline Martin, mother of the murdered girl, is the evil genius of the family. She is a woman of strong will and high intellect, which seems to have become perverted, and dominates her two sisters, Mrs. Snead and Miss Wardlaw. The evidence that Mrs. O'cey Snead was either murdered or influenced into suicide is very strong.

Prof. P. W. Green of Pedro with his wife and little girl were in town today shopping and brought the sad news of the death of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Swearingen's little baby, two years old. The child died yesterday and was interred today.

The Montezuma hotel office has received a new dress of paint and paper, and the barbershop next door is being worked over as fast as possible. Mr. Eldred has the work in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolf of Ohio, arrived last night and will spend the winter with Mrs. Wolf's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Jewell. Mr. Jewell's children, Bertie of Jacksonville and Hattie, of Brooksville, will arrive today and tomorrow. The Jewell family will enjoy a family Christmas dinner and reunion.

Mr. James R. Moorhead sent his brother, Walter Moorhead at Greenville, S. C., a box of oranges ten days ago and today received the same box back filled with South Carolina apples. It was a very acceptable exchange.

Mrs. Louis Pillans and baby went over to Electra yesterday to spend Christmas with Mr. Pillans' parents.

Dr. Pillans of Orlando came up yesterday on his way to Electra to spend Christmas with his parents. The doctor says he is doing well in his new home. He is a member of the medical firm of Harris & Pillans.

Mr. R. A. Green of Clearwater, who has been in and around Ocala since Monday went down to St. Petersburg yesterday afternoon to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Marsh of Fort Meade are guests of the Montezuma.

**THE BAPTIST CHRISTMAS TREE**

There was a new departure in the way of Christmas festivities at the Baptist church last night. In the first place good old Santa Claus was relegated to the "has-beens" and the Christmas tree was replaced with a ladder reaching from floor to ceiling, the sides of which were covered with raw cotton and from the rounds were hung all the presents, candy bags, etc., while from each round was hung a tiny colored electric bulb.

The leading feature of the affair was a tableaux of the birth of Christ. The whole platform was made to represent a stable, with rack, manger and feed troughs. To carry out the picture the floor was plentifully covered with straw and litter. Mary was there with the Christ child, with Joseph standing guard over each; while on one side the three wise men held out their precious gifts. Each character was in full Oriental costume, and though the wise men may have not been the original article, yet there was a striking resemblance in one of them to our worthy justice of the peace, Prof. Lyles, while another would have passed anywhere for Col. Livingston.

The church lights were turned out, the only light being a blazing star over the manger and some Christmas candles. Altogether it was a very pretty and interesting picture and will long remain in the memories of the boys and girls who with close rapt attention were carried away with the scene.

Another new feature was in each class bringing in donations for various charitable objects, the leading one being the Baptist orphanage at Arcadia and the Marion County Hospital. Dr. Van Hood's and Mr. W. P. Edwards' class donated money, each class parading around the church headed by a banner on which were fastened the greenbacks that had been collected. Some of the boys' classes brought handkerchiefs, others hose (and the way those boys paraded around the aisles swinging those black stockings was immense.) Mrs. Duval's class gave candy and the amount was so large it was hung on a pole and carried by being supported on the men's shoulders. Mrs. Goin's class made a pretty picture. Their donations were ribbons and they had them hanging down like streamers from a May pole, the end of each ribbon being held by a member of the class. One of the prettiest sights was the little tots of the primary class, as they marched around each dropped some pennies into a goblet held by Master Chester Robertson.

When the donations were all in the table and floor around the platform was loaded. We forgot to mention Mrs. Durand's class, a bevy of pretty girls about fourteen years old. They were dressed as Puritans and each carried a broom as a donation to the orphanage.

After the donations were all in the school children received their presents, which were carried to them by four pretty little girls dressed as angels, including the wings. Then came the distribution of oranges and candy, and there was sufficient for the audience.

Taking it altogether it was the most unique and successful Christmas affair ever held in this church and gives great credit to those in charge of the affair.

**MAY BE ANOTHER**

DeFuniak Breeze: Senator J. P. Tallaferra has at last announced his candidacy for re-election to the United States senate, making the statement in an authorized interview in his home paper that he expected to let his record do the most of his talking for him, and he would canvass the state only so far as his official duties in the senate would permit without detriment. The beginning of the year is going to see something doing in political lines, and that will be early enough to discuss the merits of the various candidates. The Breeze thinks it altogether possible that there may be another candidate yet in the field.

**THE TIMES FOR TALIAFERRO**

Sarasota Times: The Times believes that the interests of all political parties in the state of Florida demand the return of Senator Taliaferro to succeed himself at the end of his present term in the United States senate. He has already spent ten years in that important body—he has served his apprenticeship and his state is entitled to the benefit of the years of his training, his cordial relations established with his fellow senators, as evidenced by the important committees on which he is serving. These reasons are general and are of equal force in any part of the state. In addition to these general reasons for wishing the return of our senior senator, south Florida and Manatee county have reasons which are closer—home reasons. We have products—oranges, pineapples, fish—which need powerful friends at the capital where tariff tinkering is done. Senator Taliaferro is such a friend. We need a most wise and tactful diplo-



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**A. E. BURNETT**

mat to secure appropriations for deepening the channels in our bays, and Senator Taliaferro is the needed diplomat.

**NUMBER OF METHODISTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

The Methodist church, South, of this state has a membership of 29,379. For the year 672 infants were baptized and 1,240 adults taken into membership. There are 142 Epworth Leagues with a membership of 4,668; 300 Sunday schools with a total attendance of 20,053 pupils. The amount of salaries paid for the year to ministers, including elders, amounts to \$113,532.25.

Mrs. S. Joyce, Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy. It cured me of a severe case of kidney trouble of several years standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it." Sold by all druggists.

**FOR SALE**—Well built furnished house, six rooms; shed, about two acres land, forty-eight young orange trees, some in fruit; good building lot, good cistern. For particulars address Mrs. J. C. Walker, Eastlake, Fla.

The best pill is DeWitt's Little Early Risers—the safe, easy, pleasant and sure little liver pills. DeWitt's Carbolic Witch Hazel Salve is the original. Good for cuts, burns or bruises, and especially for piles. Sold by all druggists.

**JUDGE B. S. LIDDON**

Distinguished Florida Jurist Died in New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—Judge Benjamin S. Liddon of Marianna, Fla., former chief justice of the supreme court of Florida, died here last night. Judge Liddon was 55 years old, and one of the best known jurists in the South.

**LITTLE TIM SULLIVAN**

Noted New York Politician Has Passed in His Checks.

New York, Dec. 24.—Timothy P. Sullivan, the "Little Tim" of the bowery and a power in metropolitan politics, died here last night after an illness of more than six months. Death resulted from Bright's disease and inflammation of the heart.

**FORTY PASSENGERS HURT**

Spreading Rails Ditched a Train on the St. Paul

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 24.—Forty passengers were injured last night when spreading rails caused the swiftly moving St. Paul's train No. 43 to jump the track. It plunged down an embankment into a ditch near Mankato.

Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste make it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Cures constipation. Sold by all druggists.

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RESIDENT AGENT  
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**CHRISTMAS ORANGES**

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E. M. Howard, Phone 101.

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Harness of all kinds mended or new parts made where desired. Also saw filing done. Apply to J. T. Simmons at Tompkins & Cobb's stables.

**VETERINARY SURGEON**

I am prepared to attend to all calls in my line. Have had years of successful experience. Am a regular graduate. Can be found at Tompkins & Cobb's livery stable, or the Montezuma hotel. William Jones, Veterinary Surgeon.

**DELICIOUS FRESH CANDIES**

Just received at the fruit store of S. A. Moses & Bro., a fresh shipment of the celebrated Lenox brand of chocolates and mixed candies, fresh, sweet and toothsome and at a price that will make you buy.

**NOTICE OF SALE OF COUNTY POOR FARM**

Notice is hereby given that the board of county commissioners will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the county poor farm real property, at the south door of the court house in Ocala, Florida, at 12 o'clock noon, on

Tuesday, January 4th, 1910

with right of reserve of the use of the buildings for inmates for 12 months, or until provision can be made for them. No bid to be considered for less than \$3,500.

S. T. Sistrunk, Clerk.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the board of county commissioners of Marion county, Florida, will on Tuesday, January 4th, 1910, receive sealed bids for the positions of road overseers, hard road superintendent, ferrymen, including Stoke's Ferry, and bridge tenders for Marion county, Florida for the year 1910. All bids must be filed with the clerk by 9 o'clock a. m. on said day, and the board reserves the right to reject all bids.

Board of County Commissioners,  
By S. T. Sistrunk, Clerk.

**NOTICE**

**Of Final Settlement and Discharge**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of February, A. D. 1910, the undersigned will present her accounts and vouchers to the Hon. Joseph Bell, judge of probate in and for Marion county, at his office in Ocala, and will make her final settlement and apply for final discharge.

Ocala, Fla., 21st day of July, 1909.  
ANNIE M. PERRY,  
Administratrix Estate of S. H. Perry.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, distributees and all other persons having claims or demands against the estate of Aris M. Hunter, to present the same to the undersigned administrator within one year from this date, Sept. 18th, 1909.

W. E. Hunter,  
As Administrator of the Estate of Aris M. Hunter, Deceased, Mount Pleasant, Tenn.  
W. M. Barco, Resident Agent,  
Ocala, Fla.

**NOTICE**

**Of Final Settlement and Discharge**  
Notice is hereby given that on the first day of April, A. D. 1910, the undersigned as administrator of the estate of Thomas J. Owen, deceased, will present my account and vouchers and will make my final settlement and will apply for final discharge as administrator of said estate.

Ocala, Fla., Sept. 29th, 1909.  
R. E. Yonge,  
As Administrator of the Estate of Thomas J. Owen, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, distributees and all other persons having claims or demands against the estate of Isaac Draft, deceased, to present the same to the undersigned, duly authenticated, within one year from this date.

Dated at Ocala, Florida, July 23, 1909.  
J. P. GALLOWAY,  
Sheriff of Marion county, Florida, and ex-officio administrator of the estate of Isaac Draft, deceased. J23-St

**RECEIVER'S NOTICE**

Notice is given to the creditors of the J. B. Martin Hardware company that the undersigned was, on the 6th day of December, 1909, appointed receiver for said J. B. Martin Hardware company and all of its assets turned over to me. All creditors are requested to send me at once itemized statements of their claims against said company. It is believed by the parties in interest that the assets will fully pay all creditors, and that final settlement will be made within thirty days. For further information, call on or write me at Ocala, Florida.  
Emmett E. Robinson, Receiver.

**NOTICE**

A regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Marion Hardware company will be held in the offices of R. S. Hall in the Holder building, Ocala, Fla., on January 11th, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the transaction of such business as shall come before the meeting. R. S. Hall, President.  
H. W. Jones, Secretary.