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PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 14, 1909.

Once more are we reminded that Old King Coal is likely to be an expensive old soul.

The new president of the Rock Island road weighs more than Mr. Taft. Cartoonist, get on your job!

Carrie Nation, it seems, is not yet ready to retire to the peaceful shades of her new fruit farm in Arkansas.

Is Roosevelt going by? Well, you may have noticed that in the scores of Santa Claus letters this paper is printing there's been thus far only one application for a Teddy bear.

The Birmingham Age-Herald says "the Christmas shopper should commence to count the days." You can safely gamble your last solitary sou that the salespeople long ago began to count 'em!

"Cannon's Trained Birds" reads an advertisement that's printed to tell you what they offer at a Florida playhouse this week. Wonder if that has any reference to the Republican majority in Congress!

And now some Santa Rosa farmers are cocksure their experiments in raising oranges are to pan out successfully. Santa Rosa, even prior to the establishment of her model farm, is nothing if not progressive in agricultural efforts.

The Tampa Tribune did not consider its little affair with Dr. Len Broughton complete until it had added the reverend gentleman's name to the roster of the new Ananias club started by the Raleigh Times and the Montgomery Advertiser. Then it stopped.

One of the most aggressive and successful men on the road drumming up passenger business for the Atlantic Coast Line is named Jolly. Here's a chance for competing roads to say the Coast Line's business in that district is all produced by a traveling man's hot air.

The first strawberries that went from a Florida farm to a Northern market brought \$1 a quart in the City of Brotherly Love. If our strawberry men could get that price the whole season through, oranges and other Florida products by which the state is chiefly known abroad would soon rot at home.

The Montgomery Advertiser has found a Western editor who says the story of the Creation was told in 600 words. Very good; but no originality, in this case at least, should be credited to the writer in the West. Charles A. Dana, the finest journalistic brain this country ever knew, mentioned the Creation's incomparable 600 to an aspiring young newscaster on Mr. Dana's Sun when the disheartened clerk kicked at the city editor's cutting of his two-column fire story. It might be a good plan for the ghost of Dana to hover near the quill of Taft when he writes messages and likewise the quill of Teddy when he starts in to write "How I Ate 'Em up Alive In Africa."

New York justices of the supreme court, until now paid \$17,500, are to get \$21,000 from the outset of 1910. Some papers write as though they thought that too heavy an income for the quantity of work to be rendered by the men on the supreme bench in the Empire State. Still, we notice that Alton B. Parker and D-Cady Herriek, both of whom threw up \$17,500 judgments to run for office in the good Roosevelt landslide year of 1904, had no difficulty in dropping into a \$50,000-a-year practice in the great city after their sound wallowing at the polls. Metropolitan lawyers, the kind that derive most of their retainers from rich corporations, and many other men of Blackstone in that city would think the supreme court salary just so much pin money.

Pensacola Navy Yard Is To "Stay Put."

The top of the morning to the Hon. George von L. Meyer, once speaker of the Massachusetts house of representatives, later an ambassador to Berlin, and now secretary of the navy of the United States.

In his annual report to Congress he expresses his belief in the necessity of Gulf navy yards, at least until the Panama canal comes to its completion in 1915; in an interview with Pensacola citizens and at least one Florida congressman he goes further and declares that Pensacola is the logical site for a Gulf navy yard and that he proposes to retain Uncle Sam's property at this point.

Secretary Meyer is a wise secretary. He has never been to Pensacola, as we understand his travels, but he has informed himself as to the advantages of a Pensacola navy yard and in Pensacola, we now know, the yard is going to stay.

By the way, we hope that the secretary, who seems to be a pretty level-headed sort of a navy boss, will cut off some of the expense at Northern navy yards, particularly Brooklyn and Kittery, where the cold figures of the commandant's reports show much money has of late years been flung away, and devote some of that saving to the improvement of navy yard property on the South Atlantic and Gulf coasts, where, his report frankly admits, there is more real need of effective yards, especially for the next five or six years. Brooklyn, for instance, could be run for one-fifth of its present expense.

The president's message calls for army and navy economy, and the latter ought to begin at the Northern yards, to the extravagant management of which attention was called as far back as the days of Grover Cleveland and William C. Whitney.

It is on the North Atlantic coast, not on the South Atlantic and Gulf, that the pruning knife should be vigorously wielded.

Mr. Bryan On The Prohibition.

There has been more or less newspaper and magazine comment recently on the report that Mr. Bryan was to take up the prohibition cause and try to make it a leading issue in national politics. It is interesting, therefore, to read what Mr. Bryan himself has to say on the subject. The last issue of his newspaper, the Commoner, under the head, "Who Will Object?", contains the following:

Mr. Henry Watterson returns from a long rest in Europe in a very bad frame of mind. In an ill-tempered editorial printed in the Louisville Courier-Journal Mr. Watterson gives character to the fake printed in a newspaper directed to the effect that Mr. Bryan intends to make an effort to push prohibition as a national issue.

William Marion Reedy, the talented editor of the St. Louis Mirror, referring to the same false report, prints this editorial: "If I were a brewer I would say this is a good omen, having in mind Mr. Bryan's confirmed habit as a loser. Prohibition is a silly issue, for one good and sufficient reason: it isn't necessary. The liquor evil is being knocked out in the natural course of economic and social development. The struggle for existence is doing the trick without the aid of fanatic laws. In fact, such laws retard the progress of temperance. But then it may be that Mr. Bryan is not correctly reported. If so be that he is correctly reported, why then Mr. Bryan is simply the victim of recurrence of his mania for continuous novelty in paramount issues."

The San Antonio (Texas) Express says: "Mr. Bryan of Nebraska is credited with the desire to make prohibition of the liquor traffic the paramount issue in the democratic national campaign."

unbecoming and of the other editors quoted, it may be said that Mr. Bryan does not expect to see prohibition a paramount issue in national politics. If that ever comes, it is not likely to be in Mr. Bryan's day.

Mr. Bryan may, however, be truthfully credited with a desire to assist in securing, for the several states absolute and exclusive control over the liquor traffic—including control over all shipments of liquor as soon as the liquor enters the state. It will be interesting to see how some democratic editors will explain their opposition to the good old democratic doctrine that the state ought to be allowed to attend to its own business.

This proposition of Mr. Bryan's was stated by him months ago and contains all there is to the much-heralded report that he had taken up the prohibition question as a national issue. He believes, as he says, in letting the states attend to their own business. He does not believe that there should exist between the states and the nation a "twilight zone" in which these interests may hide from both. He takes the same position in regard to other big interests, and he sees no reason why the liquor interests should not be included under a rule which should apply to all.

And Mr. Bryan, as usual, comes mighty near being exactly right. The ultimate consumer ought to get sore when you tell him to chew his food. He's far and away more concerned to know where that food to be chewed so fine is coming from.

Pensacola will be a pretty maiden as soon as she gets her feet down on smooth sidewalks.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

Dee-lighted! This is indeed a charming as well as tee-totally unexpected bouquet from the sheet that generally maintains there's only one real handsome, smart and growing town in any state of the South.

Trouble Makers Ousted. When a singer vomits stomach trouble takes Dr. King's New Life Pills he's mighty glad to see his Dyspepsia and Indigestion fly, but more, he's tickled over his new, fine appetite, strong nerves, healthy vigor, all because stomach, liver and kidneys now work right. 25c at all druggists.

FAIR FLORIDA. Florida is the Best. A number of citizens this past summer visited other cities far and near, yet we have failed to find one who preferred to live elsewhere. Each one questioned said that while there were some things here not to their liking, there were more in other places visited. California is declared a strong rival to Florida, but several parties returning assert Florida by odds is the better state, especially as to climate conditions. The objectionable features in Florida are much less than those found in various states, and this is emphasized by none of our people remaining away or purchasing new homes. On the other hand, hundreds of people are coming to Florida and declaring it to be permanently reside.—Jacksonville Metropolitan.

Our Advantages. Florida has cheap lands, compared with the East and West. It has a much wider diversity of product. It has special crops which cannot be grown in the North. It has a climate which makes the harvest time earlier and longer growing season with as high as four crops on the same ground during the year. It is a well known fact that the farmers of Florida and other states of the South have at their command a larger and better variety of soil builders in the legumes—peas, beans and other pod-bearing plants—than are found available in any other part of America. Their worn soils can be made fertile through intelligent methods. The climate of Florida is such that it is unnecessary to build expensive frost-proof houses, as in the North. Florida is one of the best timbered states in the union, the cost of building material is reasonable compared with the prairie and deforested states of the North. The winter brings no heavy coat and clothing bills.—St. Cloud Tribune.

Actual Prosperity. There are more lands sold to new settlers and investors in Florida in a month now than were sold during an entire year a few years ago. It is the best sign that Florida is attracting wide attention, as these investments are being made by people from all sections of the country. And the best about it, too, is that people are locating on the property, improving it and building homes. It is a permanent and actual prosperity that the state is enjoying today, and it has just begun.—DeLand Record.

Another Congressman. At the present rate of interest in population, Florida ought to get another congressman by the coming census. It will be taken at a time of year that will mean 100,000 people more for us than if it was in June.—Lake City Index.

SAGE LEAVES. 1217 Davis St., Dec. 13. The month of November was extremely favorable for the extensive street improvement throughout Pensacola. The rainfall was less than an inch, and the temperature did not touch the freezing point. The precipitation for the first week in December, however, has exceeded the normal rainfall for the entire

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Having now passed the average date for the first killing frost, we must keep a close watch over our water pipes and pot flowers, for "Old Jack" comes like a thief, with intent to kill!

The new automobile route has at last been completed from Gadsden street over Davis to Blount, thence east over Blount street to Ninth avenue. The northern section, which was "dressed" before the discovery of the north pole, has become very smooth and perfect making a more soothing driveway than the costly brick pavement.

If Dr. Cox has really lost his claim to the envied northern pole, and hied away in despair, who will fit out an expedition to search for the wayward explorer?

Leut. Peary seems now to have the inside track, and his words and pen are at a high premium. He needs those publishers must be who prize his "paulitings" of the north pole so high above the descriptions of other lofty flag poles!

In consideration of the failure of our farming system to supply the hungry streets of civilization, we need to explore for vast fields of wild hogs, where the trees are breaking down with hen fruit, and inexhaustible deposits of butter await packing and transportation.

With such a discovery we might enjoy the restoration of antebellum prices for such light cents per pound for bacon and butter, and the same per dozen for Christmas eggs.

It would be found necessary, however, for Theodore Roosevelt to stand guard over such acquisitions with his big club, and keep out the monopolistic trusts, to prevent cornering and extortion.

As we pass beyond the age to take an active part in its affairs of life, we are known as cranky old critics. I see so much impractical doings and wasted effort, time and means, that I would be glad to be called from the old men of wisdom all big dead, and the business affairs left to beginners under the management of surviving "Jackleggs."

There is more interest taken in ball games and club meetings than in the laws of hydrostatics. The surplus water precipitated over Pensacola undoes an alarming amount of costly labor. Its inroads are threatening to undermine our treasury.

Placing brush dumps, Bermuda grass and all kind of debris in the washers is a good scheme; but even this needs to be done with open eyes. Great quantities are deposited in the monstrous wash-out of Lloyd street, but where the cent water channel is not kept clear it goes for your side lots of precious soil!

THREE MEN IN TRIPLE MURDER

H. BROLASKI, WHOSE RACING CONCESSIONS WERE CANCELLED ON REQUEST OF UNITED STATES, WANTS SAME DONE WITH JUAREZ TRACK.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 13.—Smearing under the action of the state department in bringing about the closing of his racetrack in Mexico, across the line from California, H. Brolaski, of Los Angeles, arrived here to demand that Secretary Knox take the same steps to put an end to the racetrack at Jauze, across from El Paso, Texas.

The Mexican government cancelled Brolaski's racing concession on request of the United States government, acting on complaint of Californians.

Describing himself as a "reformed gambler after twenty-five years of play," Brolaski will appear tomorrow before the senate committee on judiciary to expose the methods and extent of secret betting practices. The committee will listen to the arguments on the bill submitted by Senator Burkette, of Nebraska, which seeks to prohibit the transmission by telephone, telegraph or mail of racetrack or other gambling information across the boundaries of states.

MARKET REPORT.

NAVAL STORES MARKET. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 13.—The spirits of the market opened and closed as follows: Open, dull . . . . . 55-1-4 Sales, easy . . . . . 53-1-2 Receipts, easy . . . . . 586 Shipments, easy . . . . . 245 Stocks, easy . . . . . 37,507 The resin market closed as follows: WVY . . . . . 6.75 WVZ . . . . . 6.25 WV . . . . . 6.10 at 6.15 M . . . . . 8.15 N . . . . . 4.60 H . . . . . 4.60 G . . . . . 4.10 at 4.00 C . . . . . 3.85 at 3.85 B . . . . . 3.85 at 3.90 A . . . . . 3.85 at 3.90 and . . . . . 2.20 Sales, barrels . . . . . 2,803 Receipts, barrels . . . . . 1,211 Shipments, barrels . . . . . 1,121 Stocks, barrels . . . . . 135,103

LIVERPOOL COTTON. December-January . . . . . 83 January-February . . . . . 78 February-March . . . . . 75 March-April . . . . . 72 NEW YORK COTTON. Open . . . . . High . . . . . Low . . . . . Close . . . . . January . . . . . 14.50 15.00 14.80 15.02 March . . . . . 15.20 15.20 15.20 15.20

WALL STREET REVIEW. By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 13.—Dealings in stocks at the close were in fairly large volume and prices were generally higher. The industrial stocks and some of the low railroad stocks were the favorite of the movement. Large blocks of Rock Island were bought, advancing the price 1/8 to 1 1/2. The market strengthening the whole market. Union Pacific, United States Steel and some of the railroad were taken freely, but the market quieted down after prices generally had risen Saturday morning's closing. Noon. Rock Island stretched its gain to 3 points and United States Steel, International met and Granby, Granby Mining declined 1/4 and Mercantile Marine, preferred, 1/4. Bonds were steady. Selling was active and strengthening the market. The market was quiet and unimportant and the last week steady. Northwest rose 2 points, and North America 1.

Fluctuations were very narrow during the latter part of the day, but the market was better than the previous day. Most of the leaders returned to their earlier prices, after which there was little selling again.

COTTON MARKET REVIEW. New York, Dec. 13.—The cotton market opened easy at a decline of 5/16 points from the other day, immediately following the call. The selling was on a very active scale and represented generally realizing of the position. The market was sharp advance. After selling off to 13 1/4 and 1/2, the market recovered and closed Saturday morning the market rallied slightly.

The market was firmer late in the forenoon and rallied from 1 1/2 for January and 1 1/4 for May to 1 1/2 for 15 1/4, or to within 1/16 of the previous best market. Trading continued active and the readings of the market and absorbed offerings on the part of brokers seemed to inspire fresh buying for London account as well as covering by exporters.

Cotton futures opened easy. January, 14.50 to 14.75; March, 15.20; May, 15.40; June, 15.20; July, 15.20; August, 15.20; September, 15.20; October, 15.20. Cotton futures closed 13 1/4. A wave of bullish sentiment swept over the grain pits today and carried prices of the leading grain sharply higher. The gains in some instances being more than 2 cents compared with the previous close.

Corn for May delivery advanced to a new high point for the crop, the price today touching 67 cents, which is almost 2 cents above the previous best market. Opening quotations on what showed gains of 1/2 to 1 1/2, the latest being on December, which opened at 1 1/2 to 1 1/2-1 1/2. May opened at 1 1/2-1 1/2 to 1 1/2-1 1/2. Early in the day, December touched 1 1/2-1 1/2 while May sold up to 1 1/2-1 1/2. Later prices reacted about 1/2 on profit-taking.

The new high mark for May corn was established soon after the opening, which was marked by a general rush to buy. The largely to rail over the greater part of the crop. Prices at the start were from 5-5 1/4 to 21-5 1/4 above the previous close, the greatest gain being due to May delivery, which opened at 61-2 to 62-4. Before the demand was temporarily satisfied the price had been forced up to 67 cents.

THREE MEN IN TRIPLE MURDER

Savannah, Dec. 13.—Developments in the triple murder of last Friday lend to the belief that possibly three men were engaged in the commission of the crimes. Circumstantial evidence, the officers declare, is strong against J. C. Hunter, husband of Mrs. Maggie Hunter, whose death today added the third victim. Clothing badly stained and apparently spattered with blood was found last today belonging to Hunter. The police declare this is the final link. A walking cane was found in the house said to have been carried by Hunter the day of the crime.

The physician at the hospital says Mrs. Hunter, in a moment of confusion, charged the crimes to her husband, and said she was held by a negro man when the blows were struck. Hunter is in jail and still denies his guilt.

At the request of Mayor Tiedman, no further extra editions of newspapers have been issued.

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