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PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, THURSD AY MORNING, FEBRUARY 11, 1909.

Carnival in eleven days.

Whitewashing the poor farm? Good thing.

The Crum left for Taft will not be one of comfort; and will he swallow him?

They say it's Solicitor Gray who is making things blue in Jacksonville these Sundays—sort of patriotic, isn't it, this mixing of the blue and the gray?

The technical discussion of the Panama canal by Senators Kittredge, Teller and Foraker should be printed on vellum, bound in calf, and presented to the Academy of Sciences.

The Alachua News is a year old and a mighty strong little one for that age. Editor Marciony deserves congratulations and many good wishes for the long life of his wide-awake baby.

The old veteran who had $50,000 stored away in his mattress when he died the other day at Lockport, New York, was drawing a regular pension from the people, many of whom have no chance to store away a fifty-cent piece.

There are now fully six aspirants for the speakership of the house in the next legislature. Wonder how many more there'll be by the time that august body assembles?—Punta Gorda Herald. 'Tisn't: it's an April body, but saves its reputation by not convening on the first.

Can't say positively, of course, but where three thousand talesmen are necessary before twelve jurors without an opinion can be found to try Cooper and Sharp it does look as though a hard fight was being made to save Carmack's murderers.

Men with big feet who read the sad story of Officer Stack of Chicago will doubtless conclude the wise thing to do is to keep away from crowded street cars where careless passengers are apt to mistake a number twenty shoe for comfortable standing room.

The special "commerce expansion edition" of the Tampa Times is an interesting and highly effective production from the first to the fortieth of its pages. The progress of the Queen City of the Gulf is nowhere more evident and comprehensive than in its two daily newspapers.

The St. Petersburg Independent is going to celebrate Washington's birthday by getting out a twenty-four page edition. People generally do not realize it but such an undertaking is more difficult than crossing the Delaware even when there's an ice-pack.

It is generally a bully and a coward who goes about armed to the teeth, the rule applying to nations as well as to individuals, and it was to have been expected that a president who carries a .38 in his hip pocket would be a most zealous advocate for a big army, a big navy, big guns and plenty of braggadocio.

The Pensacola Journal says that it will not accuse our editor of being as old as Frank Harris, or words to that effect, but would like to know why our editor does not relieve its suspense by saying precisely "how old Ann is, anyway." Certainly brother, the first time our editor resided in Jacksonville was in 1847.—Jasper News.

Let's see. That was sixty-two years ago. Was it at the age of fifty our good brother said he went to Jacksonville, or is our memory confused? Verily, it is possible that the great original Ponce de Leon is still in the land of the living and will put in an appearance at St. Augustine at its celebration this spring. What a land Florida is!

The Mental Obliquity of A Valued Contemporary.

The Jacksonville Times-Union should remember Hamlet's philosophy and give The Journal credit for adopting it. There are times when one "must be cruel only to be kind", and if certain recent remarks of ours have "touched the raw" of our esteemed contemporary, we can only affirm that that was exactly what was intended. For The Journal has no sympathy with the Times-Union in the methods it has adopted to belittle ex-Governor Broward's efforts to secure capital to drain the Everglades—methods which have probably interfered with the progress of the work and prevented the Internal Improvement Board from receiving offers which would have been of great advantage to the state.

The latest editorial in the Times-Union is written in that vein of misunderstanding—we will not say misrepresentation—which it always adopts when dealing with this question. "As we understand," it declares "we are accused of objecting to the sale of lands at $2 per acre under water by an administration whose representative has taken the position that those lands would be worth $50 to $100 per acre when drained." "When drained." Will our befuddled brother please get that idea thoroughly imbedded in his brain. The sale of the land under the Bolles contract at $2 an acre was for undrained land that is not worth one cent an acre in its present condition and will not be worth one cent until the drainage is completed. This will certainly be helped on much better and to a much speedier conclusion with one-half the million and odd dollars to be paid by Bolles under his contract than it would have been had the friends of the Times-Union succeeded in renewing their forfeited contract at the magnificent sum of twenty-five cents an acre.

The Times-Union asks a great many questions, does a lot of Socratic stunts in the way of dialetic and receiving no answers reaches the remarkable conclusion "that we have sold drained land for much less than the governor's estimate of its value." How is it possible to attempt sensible argument against such a delusion? There is such a thing as a market price and a prospective value; but the market price is what governs sensible purchasers. The ancient owners of Jacksonville property no doubt thought and prophesied that in a few years from the time they sold, a lot 25 by 100 would bring ten times as much as they charged for an acre, but purchasers, of course, paid what was then the market price and were not over beguiled by the well-intentioned booster. But suppose the most prominent newspaper in the Gate City had used its columns to run down the value of such property, had made evil prophecies concerning the city's future and questioned the good judgment and even the integrity of property owners or agents, how many purchasers would have been found willing to pay even a low market price?

The Times-Union, published in Florida's leading city and having a larger circulation that any other newspaper in the state, should really try to get over its deplorable mental obliquity about this drainage question and help the state to obtain the highest price possible for the Everglades based on their future fertility. Two dollars an acre is certainly not a high price, but it is four hundred per cent better than twenty-five cents when one-half of it is deducted for drainage purposes. And it must be remembered that that half will drain not only the 508,000 acres sold under the Bolles contract, but a vast tract still in the state's possession which may ultimately bring in an enormous cash sum besides increasing for all time the tax valuation of property.

A Protest Against Roosevelt's Meddling.

The Journal is happy to note that so ably edited a contemporary as the New Orleans States takes a strong stand against Roosevelt's interference with the affairs of California, thus confirming us in the belief that our expressed opinion has been dictated by a discreet consideration of the matter. The States goes right to the point without mincing matters, heading its remarks, "Limit of Interference":

What amounts practically to a message from the president of the United States to the general assembly of California, was sent by Mr. Roosevelt to the speaker of the house on Monday. The constitution gives the president the authority to send messages to the two branches of congress from time to time, and the constitutions of all the states vests similar power in their respective governors.

Neither state nor federal constitution gives the president any authority to interfere with the course of legislation in the states, but that authority has been usurped by President Roosevelt in the case of California. Not content with "keeping the wires hot" between Washington and Sacramento in the effort to influence the governor of the state, a formal message is sent to the speaker of the house practically demanding that his views be carried out by the legislature of that state.

A more flagrant and unnecessary abuse of the executive prerogative has seldom been presented to the attention of the American people in all our history as a nation, and it is marvellous, indeed, that such persistent intermeddling should not have brought forth before this an even sharper rebuke than was that implied in the vote by which the school bill passed the house. Even the reconstruction period in the south did not, we believe, furnish so aggravated a case of direct presidential intermeddling with the progress of state legislation as is afforded in this case.

That it is entirely unnecessary is conceded by the president himself when he declares the pending measures unconstitutional and announces his intention of having them taken to the courts with the object in view of having them nullified, should the general assembly have the temerity to disobey his mandate. Having already practically superseded the governor of California by his official communications to the legislators it would be next in order for him to veto the measure should it be enacted by the legislature.

The interference is without precedent, so far as we recollect, entirely unwarranted and may well be put down as rankly impertinent. The proposed act segregating the Japanese in certain schools could not, in itself, be called a casus belli by anyone of even moderate intelligence, and if it clashed with Root's and Roosevelt's so-called treaty, why the treaty is clearly inoperative as embracing agreements the United States had no right to enter into. The whole transaction, from beginning to end, has been most deplorable and far more offensive to American men of patriotism and judgment than any school bill passed by California's legislature could be to the Japanese. Just why the latter should be an object of such tender solicitude to Roosevelt is quite a mystery. Has it been because of his incorrigible desire to meddle with the affairs of other people? Or is he really weak enough to be panic stricken?

The Journal sincerely hopes that Brother Cleveland, of the DeFuniak Herald, has warmed up by this time, for the frigid pangs which rent him during the cold snap were so dramatically detailed in the last number of his paper that we shivered sympathetically in reading about the awful visitation.

Who is that old red cow with a broken horn we see loafing on our streets? Is she a special guest or just one of the common herd? We ask the question merely to find out the reason why, etc., and not through any lack of courtesy to said cow.—Fort Myers News.

Cow doesn't mind. She's a tourist and her name is Miss Arabella Bossy

The Key West Citizen exhibits a great deal of ingenuity and civic pride in suggesting that tourists be encouraged to learn the joy of shark fishing in order that they may get down to business and rid the harbor of the island city of its many man-eaters and other varieties of the voracious monster. But there are two sides to the proposition and the Citizen's suggestion might result in getting rid of the tourists instead of the sharks, which would be lamentable in the extreme for all parties concerned except the big fish.

A SMALL FIRE.

Fire shortly after 11 o'clock last night damaged the back gallery on the home of Shadrick Holmes, colored, 517 North A street.

Two alarms were sent in, one from box 39 and another from box 35.

15 AND 10

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"There's a Reason."

TALLAHASSEE NEWS NOTES

Items of Interest Gathered at the Capital of Florida.

Special to The Journal.

Tallahassee, Feb. 10.—A joint meeting of the State Board of Education and the State Board of Control was held in the executive office yesterday for the purpose of discussing matters of school interest, which, when put into effect, will doubtless prove of great advantage to the state's several institutions of learning.

Later, at a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions Hon. N. P. Bryan, chairman of the board of control, reported that the board of control had let a contract for the erection of a building for the institue for the blind, deaf and dumb at St. Augustine, for $67,427.00 to be completed by November 15, 1909, and also for a heating plant for said building, to cost $2,000.

The following opinions were given this week:

C. F. Mizell, et al vs I. H. Watson, et al. Division B. January Term Jackson county. Judge Parkhill. Judgment reversed.

A. C. Woodberry vs. Tampa Water Works Co. Ex Bono. Jan. Term, 1909. Hillsborough county. Judge Whitfield. Judgment affirmed.

RECENT CHANGES IN U. S. NAVY

Orders Issued to Officers in Service by Department.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The following orders to officers of the U. S. navy have been announced:

Captain—C. F. Pond, commission announced.

Commanders—E. W. Eberle, commission announced; W. McLean ordered to Washington, D. C., yard; S. S. Wood detached the Idaho and ordered to command the New York when placed in commission; H. P. Jones detached Washington, D. C., yard and ordered to the Idaho.

Lieutenant Commanders—C. T. Jewell detached the Denver and ordered to the Arayat; W. J. Terhune detached the Maine and ordered to New York yard; C. G. Mitchell ordered to duty in charge of navy recruiting station, Chicago, Ill.; E. T. Witherspoon, detached navy recruiting station, Chicago and ordered to the Maine; H. H. Caldwell ordered to the Milwaukee.

Lieutenants—W. R. Sayles, Jr., detached the Charleston and ordered to the Denver. E. H. Campbell detached Cavite station and ordered to the Charleston.

Ensigns—J. M. Smeallie detached the Decatur and ordered to the Barry; A. W. Sears detached the Denver and ordered to the Paragua; B. Barnette detached Washington, D. C., yard and ordered to the bureau of equipment for compass instruction; J. H. Hoover detached the Montgomery and ordered to the Chester.

Midshipmen—W. R. Smith, Jr., detached the Olympia and ordered to the North Carolina; W. LeR. Heiberg detached the Olympia and ordered to the Mississippi; J. H. Babcock detached the Olympia and ordered to the New Hampshire; F. W. Rockwell detached the Olympia and ordered to the Idaho; H. E. Isema, Jr., detached the Olympia and ordered to the Montana; W. K. Klipatick detached the Charleston and ordered to the Arayat; A. M. Steckel detached the Charleston and ordered to the Paragua; A. C. Read detached the Decatur and ordered to the Barry.

Surgeon—F. S. Nash detached naval academy, ordered home and wait orders.

Passed Assistant Surgeon—P. T. Dessez ordered to the Dixer.

Assistant Paymasters—K. C. McIntosh detached the Dubuue, ordered home to settle accounts; W. R. Van Buren detached the Idah and ordered to the Dubuque.

Warrant Machinists— W. Fairfield detached the Frankli and ordered to the Idaho; C. M. Baldwin detached the Lancaster and ordered to the Idaho.

Chaplains—E. J. Brenin ordered to the Tennessee; C. H. Dickens ordered to the Southey.

WACISSA

Special to The Joural.

Wacissa, Feb. 10.—On Monday night Mr. Woodard and several members of the Epworth Leage met at the school house to reorganize the league. The officers elected are as follows:

Mrs. B. O. Lewis, present; W. McG. Carraway, first vice-resident; Miss Rosa Alford, second vice-president; Mrs. J. C. Moody, 3rd vice-president; Mrs. W. McG. Carraway, fourth vice president.

We are glad to hear Mr. J. C. Moody is able to be up aga. She has been on the sick list for nearly two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodard spt the day with friends Thursday. We are always glad to see them.

J. W. Walker, the photograher, is here ready to take pictures.

STEAMER WRECKED

Castellon, Spain, Feb. 1—The steamer America has been wcked off the coast of this province. Sixty of her passengers and crew were saved. The nationality of the vel is still in doubt.

ORDERS TO BOAT CLUB

Commodore Morgan Appoints the Club Regatta Committee.

Commodore George T. Morgan, of the Pensacola Yacht and Motor Boat club, issued the following yesterday:

General Order No. 3.

The following gentlemen are hereby appointed a regatta committee to conduct and manage the club regatta on Monday, Feb. 22d, 1909: Mr. Thos C. Watson, chairman, Mr. M. E. Clark, and Mr. Walker Gonzalez. The above named committee will also conduct the trial run on Feb. 14th.

For the information of the committee and the members intending to enter the regatta, attention is called to the following instructions:

1st. All boats participating in the regatta on Feb. 22d must be entered before, and make the trial run on, Feb. 14th.

2d. For the trial run boats must rendezvous at railroad wharf on the morning of Feb. 14th, and be ready to start before 10 o'clock a. m., and run once around the selected course.

3rd. The regatta committee should be on hand promptly, and take and record the time of each boat in the trial run, which time will be the basis of handicap for the regatta run.

4th. The regatta will start promptly at 2:30 o'clock p. m. on Feb. 22d, and boats will be started on their handicap and run twice around the course, leaving all stake boats and buoys to starboard.

5th. In the regatta run, boats will be started by signals of gun and numbered flags in the following manner: Each boat will be given a number which must be displayed in the bow, which number will indicate her place in the order of starting. One gun will be fired and the number or numbers of boats next to start will be hoisted on the committee boat. Five minutes after the first gun a second gun will be fired when the boat or boats whose number or numbers as displayed will cross the starting line, the time of such boat or boats being taken from this second gun. Boats crossing the line before the second gun will be recalled and have to start anew, and no allowance will be given for the time so lost. Boats crossing the line before the second gun and failing to return and start again will be disqualified.

6th. Boats exceeding their handicap rating by more than 5 per cent will be disqualified.

GEORGE T. MORGAN,
Commodore.

DAN SHEPARD, Secretary.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

Prominent Young Married Woman Believed to Have Been Murdered.

Special to The Journal.

Selmo, Ala., Feb. 10.—Mrs. J. A. McKinnon left this afternoon for Slidell, La., where she was called by the mysterious disappearance of her niece, Mrs. John S. Edmonds, who was formerly Miss Kate Boggs, of this city, a daughter of the late Edward Boggs.

Mr. Edmonds wrote Mrs. McKinnon Sunday afternoon of the disappearance and probable death of Mrs. Edmonds.

The last time Mrs. Edmonds was seen was Wednesday night, February 3. Her eldest son, Stuart, a boy of fourteen, had been hunting, and returned about dark, bringing some ducks. The children were put to bed Mrs. Edmonds going into the kitchen afterward.

About 11 o'clock Mr. Edmonds returned from the railroad station where he is agent and operator and knocked at the front door as usual, but receiving no response, went around to the rear of the house and found the back door open. He went in and found his little two-year-old daughter awake and calling for her mother. The children, upon being questioned said their mother was as usual when they went to sleep. They said about six o'clock two negroes came by with a load of wood and their mother went to the front door and purchased the wood. The theory is that the negroes returned, and finding Mrs. Edwards alone in the kitchen, murdered her and threw her body into the lake.

It is also thought that Mrs. Edmonds's mind may have suddenly given way and she returned to Coatapa, Ala., their former home. The day she was last seen was the anniversary of the death from burning of one of her children, and this fact was seized upon in hope that the mother was still alive.

The disappearance and very probable tragic death of Mrs. Edmonds was received here with great sorrow.

Prohibition Enforcement.

That Selma intends to enforce the prohibition law is seen here more and more every day. The sale of "near beer" has been stopped until the supreme court passes on the question.

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TAFT WILL GO TO NEW ORLEANS THIS MORNING

South Carolina and Montana Dropped Anchor Off Mississippi River Passes Last Night.

By Associated Press.

On Board U. S. S. North Carolina via New Orleans, La., Feb. 10.—After being out from Colon, Panama, barely three days, the armored cruisers North Carolina and Montana, conveying President-elect Taft and his party on the return trip home, dropped anchor tonight in the gulf off the Mississippi river passes.

The scout cruiser Birmingham was lying in the offing when the Montana and North Carolina hove in sight. At eight o'clock tomorrow the transfer of the president-elect and members of the party to the Birmingham, on which the trip will be made up the river to New Orleans.

SMITH A MANAGER.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 10.—Manager Molesworth, of the Birmingham baseball club, today announced that Carlos Smith, right fielder, had been released to become manager of the Jackson, Miss., Cotton States League team, the understanding being that Birmingham was to have the pick of players in the Jackson team this season. Smith is very popular throughout the Southern League.

PROMINENT WOMAN FINED.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 10.—Mrs Robert Braswell, wife of a well known citizen of Eufaula, Ala., has been fined $100 in the mayor's court of that place for selling liquor to negroes in violation of the prohibition laws. At first bond was made and appeal taken but later this was recalled and the fine paid.

SWEEPING REFORMS.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Sweeping reforms in administration affairs for protection and saving of lives from fire are foreshadowed in Mayor Busse's proposed ordinance transferring the enforcement of fire regulations in buildings from the building to the fire department.

BLIZZARD PASSING.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 10.—The blizzard which raged all day yesterday spent its force by 4 o'clock this morning, and with the wind down to normal condition the prospects are that the railways will have no difficulty in moving today. Temperature was 6 above at 5 o'clock this morning.

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