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State Press on Broward's Plan To Drain the Glades

GIVE BROWARD A SHOW.

(Tampa Times.)

It is not necessary for the Times to again define its attitude towards Governor Broward. It did not aid in his selection as the Democratic candidate for the place he holds. But it accords to him the same respect and dignified courtesy it would have endeavored to exact in behalf of the gentleman it preferred had he been successful. The Governor believes he is supported by the majority of the people of the State in the project of reclaiming the Everglades. He is pursuing that object with a steady purpose, but it will hardly be fair to stigmatize him as possessed by obstinacy because he does not throw up the task at the first suggestion that there are people who do not agree with him. He made a very good argument in favor of the scheme the chief basis of his appel to the voters at the primaries, and if our memory is not at fault he charged that the opposition to him came largely from men who wished to keep the Everglades in their present condition of uselessness for the present with the ultimate view of converting the land thereof to private benefit in some of those numerous ways familiar to business politics.

The Governor was indorsed by the people with a somewhat narrow margin. He is endeavoring to make good his preelection promises. It would appear to be what he ought to do, seldom as the spectacle is actually presented. Now let us all carefully repress our angry passions and give the Governor a show. The Times has not given his project the careful study necessary to a definite opinion upon its merit and feasibility. But we do know something about what constitutes fair play, and we believe it dear to the American people and the people of Florida.

It is quite possible that the drainage of the Everglades is of doubtful utility, but we do not happen to recall just now any similar feat in history that was not followed by substantial benefits. On the contrary, there are well authenticated instances of cultivated lands being reduced to marshes with disastrous effects. At least, permit the Governor to cut a ditch or two from the glades or the lake to the Atlantic, by the shortest line and steepest grade. When those ditches shall nave had their effect let the consequent fall of the lake be measured. Let experts then decide the volume of water they subtract and the additional amount of work it would require to evacuate the entire basin, compute the amount of new land that would be rendered available for cultivation and the probable money it would bring to the State treasury. Then the problem of further prosecution of the work could be calculated upon with some certainty of arriving at an intelligent and soundly based conclusion.

The Times admits a partiality towards the prospect of having many millions of acres of first-class farming lands opened to settlement in its immediate vicinity. Should the Everglades prove to be when devastated of their surplus waters what Governor Broward imagines, it would be the discovery of a new and fertile province within Tampa's tributary territory. It might open thousands of new homes occupied by men of enterprise and accumulating wealth. Our city is nearer than any other to the lands proposed to be redeemed and our people would reap much benefit, more than in proportion to the State at large. There are people in Lee County, within the drainage district, who favor the scheme because they believe in it. Some of them are gentlemen in whom the Times has much confidence.

For these reasons mainly our plea that the Governor be allowed a fair chance to develop his plans at least to the stage of ascertaining their feasibility and the cost of putting them through. If he is right it would be an everlasting blunder and pity to arrest him on the threshold.

THE DRAINAGE QUESTION.

(Holmes County Advertiser.)

Considerable feeling and opposition has been stirred up against Governor Broward's proposition to drain a portion of the Everglades, and several of the State press have given vent to more or less spleen.

We did not support the candidacy of Governor Broward, and at the time had little, if any, faith in his draining proposition. But our opposition was honest and sincere and not personal, either, and we are glad to say that we have found that our little views were erroneous. We learn that where the work of reclamation by drainage has been perfected by the Disston Land Company and others, the results have been all that was expected, or could have been desired. Splendid crops of vegetable and fruit products are the result—with those reclaimed lands worth $35 to $50 per acre.

Now then, let the Governor go ahead and redeem his promise to the people, which he is anxious to do. We believe he is on the right track, and so move all obstructions and let him go ahead, say we.

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