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## The Visiting Legion

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veteran editor replied: "Confidentially, I'll tell you, because I know it will go no farther at present. I want to see the Calooshattee River improved, and I know a way to do it. It is simply this: Let one of the dredges now working in the Everglades continue on its way to Okeechobee, and take the other dredge up to Fort Myers, work it up the river cutting out the channel where needed. Then let dredging stop. That is my plan, and I am going to work for it, but keep it quiet."

Then Mr. Caldwell dropped the subject of legislation, and began to discourse on the excellence of turnip greens.

Guy Metcalf, smooth and smiling, rolled in from West Palm Beach yesterday afternoon to assist in the preparation of the divorce case enterprising citizens of the northern portion of Dade county will bring against the southern half of the county. The claim is made that while the northern portion of the county pays 61 per cent. of the taxes of the entire county it does not get its proportionate share of money expended, hence the desire for division. Naturally, the southern part of the county falls to see a reason for the division, and according to Mr. Metcalf, the desire to keep Dade county intact is fully summed up by a real estate agent of Miami, who said: "We can't let you go; you are too good a thing for us."

### HIGHER FREIGHT RATES.

#### Increased Schedule Will Go Into Effect To-Day.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 31.—The new coal freight rates recently announced by the trunk line railroads, an advance of from 5 to 10 per cent. over the old schedule, went into effect today. The coal companies in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ohio are affected. Increased cost of operation is given by the railroads as the reason for the increase in rates. A slight addition to the price of coal will probably result from the advance in railroad rates.

Chicago, Ill., March 31.—Increased rates on grain and grain products from Chicago to the seaboard were put into effect today. While the increased cost of operation is given by the railroads as the reason for the increase in rates, it is generally believed that the action they have taken is meant as a counter blow for the adverse railroad legislation recently passed in so many States. It is believed furthermore that this increase is but a forerunner of a general advance in rates to be made by the roads throughout the entire country.

Kansas City, Mo., March 31.—The freight rate on grain shipments from the Missouri River and points west to Mississippi River points, Chicago, Minneapolis, Memphis and Little Rock, was today advanced 1.14 cents a 100 pounds. The board of trade of this city has protested against the increase and the matter probably will be taken before the Interstate Commerce Com-

### WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DELAY CRIMINAL CASES.

#### New Rules in Ohio Supreme Court Will Hasten Justice

Columbus, Ohio, March 31.—If new rules put into effect in the Ohio supreme court tomorrow accomplish the results for which they are intended there will in future be fewer "law delays" in the criminal practice before that tribunal.

The new rules provide that when a motion for leave to file a criminal case is filed in the supreme court the petition in error must be presented with it and left in the clerk's care.

If the motion is granted, the clerk will file the petition instantly. It is further provided that within 50 days from the filing of the case the plaintiff in error must file his printed brief, and within 90 days the defendant's brief must be filed.

Under these rules it will not be more than 100 days after a criminal case is first called to the attention of the court before it is ready for argument. Under the old rules attorneys were able to delay cases of this kind for nearly a year.

#### Arbor Day in Virginia.

Richmond, Va., March 31.—Advices from all parts of the State indicate an unusually wide observance of Arbor Day in Virginia tomorrow. In his proclamation Governor Swanson asked that the day be set apart for "planting trees, shrubs and vines about the houses and along the highways, and about public grounds, thus contributing to the health, comfort and attractions of the State."

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