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Subscribers who do not get their paper are requested to call 195. The News wants every person in Palatka to get a paper every day and we will use every effort to see that it is delivered.

WHY LIE ABOUT IT?

Every time we have a sugar shortage someone interested in the succulent grapefruit will indict a treatise on how much better the grapefruit is with salt than with sugar. These arguments are meant for the benefit of the Florida grower's side of the case.

There are two ways to eat grapefruit, two ways that fruit will have the appeal to the palate that will make its sale steady and continuous. There are exceptions of course. Some people really prefer salt on their fruit, but they are in such a hopeless minority that their importance to the grapefruit industry is negligible.

Early grapefruit, before it has fully matured, needs sugar. Salt ruins it in any snipe for the average taste. We have heard many persons say they rather fancied salt on their grapefruit, but when no one was looking they would slip the sugar in and the salt out.

Of course the latter proposition is impracticable. But a small percentage of the fruit will hang on the trees over season. So the only thing left is to continue putting sugar on grapefruit, and if a sugar shortage comes along grin and bear the consequences, for we will never be able to make progress in cultivating the public taste to grapefruit by advising trying salt and pepper.

RAISING HOGS IN FLORIDA.

It must have been a jolt to some of our good Poland China hog breeders of the north when a Florida bred and raised Poland China sow was awarded the grand champion prize at the International Live Stock Show at Chicago last week.

When raising of pure bred hogs should take on some boost. When a Florida bred and raised hog can enter competition with hogs from every state in the union, or the world for that matter, and receive the grand champion prize, it is no small honor. It is something the entire state should be proud of.

The eyes of the world will be on Florida from now on. Why not have other breeds of hogs from Florida at the International Live Stock Show next year? Now is the time to start.

This honor coming to Florida at this time is the best advertisement the state could have.

Of course Florida is well known for her fruits and vegetables. But when she enters the swine ring and carries off high honors in competition with the world it is no small honor.

Notwithstanding this fact we have men who are very doubtful as to the success of raising livestock in Florida. Nevertheless the pure bred hog has come to Florida to stay.

When good hogs are given the same consideration and care in Florida as they are given in other states, just as good individual animals will be produced.

TOO MUCH POLITICS.

They are playing politics every day in Washington now. One of the latest developments is a movement to investigate the actions of those responsible for an agreement having been reached with the miners.

The President saw a crisis. No progress was being made to avert disaster. He stepped in, offered a temporary settlement, pending final adjustment of differences between the operators and the miners, and prevailed on the men to return to work.

Now comes the malcontents. They didn't want the coal strike bridged on any kind of terms. They want to know who made the agreement and why Dr. Garfield and his slow moving gang didn't settle it. Nobody cares about these details, so long as the men have returned to work, production is being brought up to normal and the country is not faced with one of the greatest industrial disasters in its history.

The status of the coal strike is unchanged and if those who had their own ideas about settling the strike still wish to function, they can do so. The final settlement and agreement have not yet been reached.

President Wilson is ignoring his critics, the rail birds, the petty politicians, mugwumps, demagogues, ambulance chasers and calamity howlers.

This cool weather stops the red f...s from scratching.

The weather man got it right on the second guess.

Did you remember to put some Red Cross stamps on your Christmas package? Its not too late to buy them.

We may expect to see a wrangle among the miners now the rest of the winter. There will be one faction which realizes its duty to the family, as well as the na-

tion, there will be another faction that sees in the prolongation of the controversy less work and there is still another group, the leaders, who see more importance to themselves by keeping the matter stirred up. Sooner or later, however, men will find they must work or take the consequences of privation.

Then more days before the agony of trying to figure how a five spot will buy presents for all who you MUST give something to comes to an end.

Bertha Krupp now turns to saving the women and children of Germany. Truly the Big Bertha's have proven boomerangs to the Fatherland.

We remember having heard, in the dim long ago, a couplet about Christmas coming but once a year and if the singer became a little bibulous no one need express any poignant grief. Ah, them was the good old days.

The Alcazar Hotel at St. Augustine opens today, earlier than ever before in its history. The Florida season for tourists will begin in November if the date is set up many more times.

The express and parcels post business into Palatka is just about ten times as heavy as it is out of Palatka. This is a condition which our merchants should consider seriously and try to stop.

Hastings farmers can see nothing but prosperity next spring—unless railway transportation ties them up again as it did two years ago. The acreage this year is slightly in excess of last year and with fair season and a short crop north returns should be bountiful.

Communication between Palatka and Jacksonville will be almost totally cut off, so far as travel by auto is concerned if the bridge just this side of Hastings isn't repaired soon. Travel by way of Green Cove Springs is practically out of the question and if the bridge on the St. Augustine does give way this route will be cut off.

Jacksonville papers take no interest in the centennial exposition anymore. Neither of them mentioned the commission met there Saturday. No word has been received here as to the decision of the committee. It is reasonable to believe, however, that the centennial is dead so far as Florida is concerned.

Looks like the democrats are in the same boat that carried Roosevelt and Taft, and if something is not done to stop the leaks the old ship is going to be dreadfully pounded. Where are our so called leaders? Are they sulking in their tents? The bolsheviki are preparing to raid the party and it is time for the true blue democrats to wake up.—Appalachicola Times. We suppose Brother Johnson refers to Hayes Lewis and Fred DeBerry as the Bo sheviks.

Why will people continue to criticize the government, their government, our government, without offering remedial suggestions that will take into consideration every varying interest and opinion in the country? Criticism very often consist of measuring the learning and the wisdom of others, either by our own ignorance, or by our little technical and pedantic partialities and prejudices. Anything thus treated may be compared to the laurel, of which there is honor in the leaves, but poison in the extract.

WITH OTHER EDITORS.

STRUGGLING RUSSIA HAS OUR SYMPATHY.

Whatever may be the ultimate outcome of the complicated civil war now disturbing Russia—and he would be a wise one indeed to see through the fog—there can be no question that the level-headed people of America wish the Russian people well and wish them an opportunity to develop along the lines of their own better selves, freed from the tyranny of a malignant class rule—Bolshevism. How deep this feeling is is revealed in the "American Number" of "Struggling Russia," just off the presses, an issue given over entirely to a number of statements by noted publicists, United States Senators, Congressmen, educators, specialists and labor leaders, ranging from Mr. Gompers to men like Mr. Schiff and Doctor Butler of Columbia University. The magazine says of this outpouring of sympathy that it comes at a time to hearten those who are working to save Russia not only "from the enemies of Russia but from the enemies of democracy and the enemies of civilization as well." "Struggling Russia" realizes fully that upon the friendship of the United States for the real democracy of Russia depend "to a very great degree the peace and happiness of the entire world." That this view is also held by American thinkers and statesmen who have written to the publication is plain from their observations as printed. For instance, Mr. Gompers does not hesitate to say: "American labor views with heavy heart the terrible curse of Bolshevism forced by the gun and bayonet upon the people of Russia and sincerely hopes for the success of their brave and valiant fight to eradicate it forever from their sore ridden land. No more monstrous or degrading government ever was set up anywhere in the world. Its entire existence has been one of terrorism, tyranny and brutal slaying of those who are seeking for a just government. For the Bolsheviki have proved more tyrannous than ever were the Czar and his brutal officials. They have brutalized Russia and used every means to throttle freedom by joining Germany in her efforts to enslave the world."

Other labor leaders take the same view, and a group of American Socialists who are pro-government patriots rather than anti-social radicals, like L. G. Phelps Stokes, John Spargo and William English Walling, are outspoken in their denunciation of the idea that Bolshevism speaks for democracy or humanity. Naturally enough, the public men who have taken part in the expression of views from this continent are positively against soviet rule in any and all of its manifestations.

Coming, as this special symposium does, at a time when the intrigues of the so-called Soviet Embassy in New York against the industrial, social and political integrity of the United States are being set forth, there will be few so purblind as still to hold to the belief that there is "something in Bolshevism" that the United States should not only recognize but endorse and adopt as a millennial panacea for all unrest and government ills.—Hastings Herald.

AMUSEMENTS.

Marguerite Clark Arcade. Dainty Marguerite Clark will be the attraction at The Arcade today in "Three Men and a Girl." It is one of the most captivating light comedies. There is an excellent supporting cast, including Creighton Hale, Tully Marshall and others.

In this picture Miss Clark takes the part of an innocent vamp and the way she gets away with it is truly delightful.

The theater will be comfortably heated for both Matinee and night performance.

Pollyanna Wednesday.

There is enormous local interest in the "Pollyanna" engagement at the Arcade Theater on Wednesday night. Eleanor H. Porter's popular "Pollyanna" stories have brought gladness to hundreds of thousands over the world. The comedy based upon them by Catherine Chisholm Cushing not only preserves their quaint incidents and their radiant optimism that teaches the true joy of living but it also visualizes the glad girl herself to the delight of the multitudes who have read about her. Probably no character of fiction in many years has so firmly gripped the affections of the people, young and old, as Pollyanna Whittier. This lively young apostle of gladness, who is all the more adorable because she is unconscious that she is conveying a message, is depicted in her lonely orphanhood and happy radiant young womanhood. There is so much sorrow in the world's affairs just now that the joyous optimism of this glad-hearted play is hailed with morbidity. Klaw & E. J. Janger and George C. Tyler bring here an excellent company. The favorite characters of the "Pollyanna" stories are depicted by Viola Harper, who plays the title-role, and will be supported by George Allison, Garland Gaden, Alice Baxter, Katherine Rober, Helen Gurney, Gertrude Rivers, Fanny D. Hall, A. W. MacCollin, William Blaisdell, Chas. S.

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Turner, Harold McArthur and others. The advance sale everywhere has been enormous and is very significant of the universal growth of the "Pollyanna" glad spirit.

Height of Conceit. Experience is a good teacher, but some men are conceited enough to think that they can give Experience a few pointers.

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