

TWO SEND REGRETS FOR INABILITY TO VISIT FIRST FAIR

Governor Hardee States Previous Engagements Prevent

It will be a disappointment that visitors at the First Annual Putnam County Fair this week will be unable to greet Governor Cary A. Hardee. Plans had been made that on Thursday there should be a number of state notables to view the exhibits and address the crowds upon important matters. Among them was to be the governor of the state.

To the letter of invitation forwarded to Tallahassee addressed to the chief executive of the state, J. R. Payne, chairman of the entertainment committee, received the following letter:

I wish to thank you sincerely for your favor extending an invitation to attend your fair on Thursday. Much to my regret I will not be able to attend, owing to an engagement on that identical date at Pensacola. I hope that you will have a most excellent fair, and I wish to thank you again for favoring me with an invitation.

(Signed) CARY A. HARDEE, Governor.

Among others of note invited by the chairman of the entertainment committee was L. M. Rhodes, head of the Florida Marketing Bureau, with headquarters at Jacksonville. The deepness with which this man has delved into the produce business of the state, and the experience he has had in marketing the products, renders him in a position to tell the people of every county many matters of importance; and it was for the purpose of having the fair attendants listen to matters which vitally concern them that Mr. Rhodes was urged to be present. He was forced to decline the invitation, and in his letter says:

I regret very much to say to you that I cannot be present at Palatka on Thursday, Farmers' Day. There is no county in the state I would rather visit, and no town that I would rather speak in than Palatka.

I appreciate the invitation and the compliment you pay me by asking me to speak there after having addressed the people of that county more than a score of times on different subjects, but the National Association of State Marketing officials meet in Chicago Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. This will, perhaps be the most important marketing meeting of the entire year. I organized this association, and am vice-president of it at the present time; besides being chairman of the transportation committee as well as being on three other committees. It would be impossible for me, even though I left Chicago on Wednesday evening, to reach you in time to speak on the day set.

Therefore, with keen regret I will be obliged to say that I cannot be present, but I thank you for the invitation.

(Signed) L. M. RHODES, Commissioner.

Replies to other invitations have not been received by Mr. Payne. Arrangements will be made, so far as possible, to have a complete program as has been previously announced.

Law Enforcement Meeting Attended By County Sheriff

Notices have been sent from Jacksonville that there is to be a meeting in that city on Thursday which will be addressed by Major Roy A. Haynes, federal prohibition commissioner. The object of the session is to consider working plans and urge that more stringent steps be taken toward the enforcement of the prohibition laws now alleged to be lightly enforced, and it is especially urged that sheriffs and other county officers be present. The meeting, which will take place at the Baptist church, corner of Church and Hogan streets, is to be open to all, and a general invitation is extended.

Sheriff Hagan has expressed his intention of being present at all sessions, and will be one of the speakers. His experience in office thoroughly fits him for some of the points which he will make in his address.

ON BROADWAY Side Lights on Fashion and Fancy

By Lucy Jeanne Price.

New York, Dec. 4.—"Purring" may be, after all, one of woman's most advisable occupations. It is credited with getting Miss Jeanne Bonar, a Russian immigrant, past the Ellis Island barriers. One immigration official said that Miss Bonar, who is called "the loveliest stowaway who ever landed in the United States," "We're only human and she just seems to purr her way through."

It is a constant complaint that women no longer add "Miss" or "Mrs." before their names, and that consequently in writing a business letter to a strange woman, one never knows how to address her. One large New York firm has solved the problem by the ingenious adoption of a telescoped prefix, "Ms." This designates equally well a matron or a maid, and while it may not look impressive, it is going to save much indignation on the part of those who would be wrongly addressed and who always blame the other person for not knowing their matrimonial state.

Another historic piano is on its way to New York. This one, the most famous of all. It is the piano presented to Richard Wagner by Ludwig, King of Bavaria, and upon which most of the Ring music was composed. The prized possession of the great composer was discovered by an American soldier, Robert H. Prosser, of New York, who was with the American army of occupation in Germany. He came upon it in a tiny drawing room of Berlin, the property of an aged music teacher, Theobald Guenther, to whom it was presented half a century ago.

"The Springtime of Youth," at the Broadhurst theater, is one of the most delightful musical shows of the season. It really gives one "springtime" and "youth." The voices of the principals and choruses are unusually good and the music is lovely—of a better standard than we look for in the average musical comedy—or at least, better than we did look for up to a season or so ago. It is lasting melody without being prite or too light.

The photographers' shops down around Fourteenth street, patronized largely by our foreign population, are as interesting as any places in New York, I think. We are accustomed to thinking of men as having a constitutional dislike of being photographed. Evidently that is only an American trait. There are Italians, I found, who drop in every week or two to have a new picture taken, and the Hungarians are not far behind. It is a serious part of life with those foreigners, and they go at it with a will. One photographer explains that many of the men never will accept a photograph unless all five fingers show. They send the pictures back to Europe and if only three fingers are in evidence, their families are afraid they have met with an accident. Their children must always be photographed full length, too, so that the old folks back home will know they are not cripples.

No longer can Americans be accused of materialism. They are becoming artistic, thoroughly and completely, says Frank Alvy Parsons, director of the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts. Their food, their shelter, and their clothes are now all submitted to artistic dictates, he tells us. They used to eat, he says, because they were hungry; live in houses because of inclement weather; and buy new clothes because their old ones were shabby. "Recently, however, the great middle class that makes up the backbone of the nation," declares Mr. Parsons, "has awakened to a new craving. It has been seeking to give expression to that instinct, which leads the savage to decorate the vessel from which he eats. Americans now want their houses and clothes and everything about them to be beautiful."

Sheriff Deputies Grab Off Three On Liquor Charges

Deputies Minton and Cannon, of the sheriff's office, made several raids after dispensers of hooch Saturday night, and succeeded in landing three alleged violators.

These were Whaley Head, white; Aleck Jordan, colored, and Jim Williams, also colored. All were arrested on the charge of having liquor in their possession, and their hearing will take place at an early day.

CITY AND COUNTRY CHILDREN TO GET SAME ADVANTAGE

Missouri School Laws Will Stand for No Partiality

St. Louis, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Millicene T. Smith, state representative-elect of St. Louis county, plans to work for the offering of the same educational advantages to children in the rural districts of the state as are afforded by the large cities when the Missouri legislature meets in January, 1935, she has announced.

She declared that all children living in the country should be given the opportunity of attending at least eight grades of school, and that a large percentage should be given the advantage of high school. In counties of the state where the schools are located far distances from the children's home the county should pay the transportation to and from the school, she asserted.

Mrs. Smith, who will be one of the first women to sit in the Missouri legislature, is a democrat, and was elected from a district overwhelmingly republican in former elections. She was endorsed by the "Clean Election League" of St. Louis county, which was organized after the primary last August to combat alleged election fraud.

Mrs. Smith displays much interest in her forthcoming work as a legislator, although she said she did not aspire to office. She has been president of the League of Women Voters of St. Louis county and twice a delegate to democratic state conventions. She fostered a plank in the democratic state platform making women eligible to appointive office and giving them full rights in caucuses and conventions.

"Citizenship comes before politics," she added. "The duty of the women is to help arouse the clean element to do its civic duties."

New Officers Are Elected In Masonic Lodge

The newly elected officers of Palatka lodge No. 34, F. & A. M., are as follows:

C. H. Hyde, worshipful master; C. H. Dekle, senior warden; J. B. Austin, junior deacon; John L. Dunsford, treasurer; J. H. Haughton, secretary.

The lodge has accepted an invitation to attend services on St. John's day, Wednesday, December 27, at St. Mark's Episcopal church to hear an address given by the rector, Rev. Guy H. Frazer. This meeting will take place at 7:30, and, following the address, the Masons will return to the lodge room, where the installation services of the elected and appointed officers will take place.

SIX-DAY PEDDLERS ARE ALL TIED TODAY

New York, Dec. 4.—The sixteen teams of bicyclists that started the 33d annual six-day race at Madison Square Garden at midnight last night were on even terms at 8 o'clock today. They had pedaled 181 miles and two laps. The record for the eighth hour is 189 miles and nine laps, made in 1914 by Lawson and Drombach. Mareel Eyckman, of Belgium, was leading the pack.

NEW SUB DISTRICT IS REQUESTED IN ETONIAH PRECINCT

Petition Accepted and an Election Will Be Called

The regular session of the county board of education was held this morning, and routine business was carried out.

An application was considered, signed by the residents of the proposed district, asking that a special tax school district be formed in what is known as Etoniah precinct, No. 27, lying northwest of Florahome district and extending to the Clay county line. The petition was granted, and an election was ordered to be properly arranged for and advertised.

The board decided to purchase a safe for the office of the county superintendent, and considered two propositions from local dealers. The matter of the selection of the safe with all arrangements necessary for its installation was left in the hands of the clerk of the board.

CHANGE OF EVENINGS

Commencing next week the Spanish class taught by the rector, Rev. Guy H. Frazer, of St. Mark's Episcopal church, will be heard at the parish house on Wednesday evenings in place of on Tuesday evenings as heretofore. These classes are heard at 7:30 o'clock. The class this week will be heard Tuesday evening as usual.

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