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MIGHTY CLOSE TO MARION

It is worthy of note that the first prize at the Alachua county fair was won by E. S. Grace of Evinston, whose farm is in half a mile of the Marion county line. And the second prize was taken by Mr. Henderson, who like a considerable number of Marion county farmers, obtains his mail at the Micanopy postoffice.

APPRECIATION FROM ALACHUA

The Star has received the following appreciated letter:

Trenton, Fla., Nov. 13.

Editor Star: We have a copy of your paper of the 12th inst. and have read your scribe's splendid write-up of the Alachua County Fair.

Our Mr. Bell is a director of that institution and has no better way of showing his appreciation in the premises than to send you one year's subscription to the weekly.

Hoping that your county will have a greater success than ever with its fair, we are,

Very truly yours,
Wade & Bell.

OCALA IS PROUD OF THEM

The "Wildcats," Ocala's basketball girls, returned home from Gainesville Saturday night, proud of their victory and happy over the good time they had. Their victory at Gainesville sets them well along on the road to the state championship. They are as alert as the animal they are named after, as bright and pretty a bunch of girls as any town can show, and Ocala is proud of them.

The Gainesville team will be here for a return game in a few weeks, and our girls will give them a warm welcome.



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SHOULD BE GOOD SPORTS

The Star is sorry to find that its friends among the wet men (or some of them) are getting sore over the remarks it is making on the wet or dry issue. Some of them have rebuked the Star because of its (to them) unfairness, and a few have threatened it with loss of business.

The Star is sorry, not so much over the loss of business as to find the boys are not good sports.

In all previous campaigns, the wets have had things pretty much their own way in printing affairs. They have had money to buy space in the papers, and sometimes to import special writers while the poor prohibitionists, who have always been shy of coin, had to grin and bear it.

In this campaign, the Star is giving the wets their own medicine, and instead of taking it in good part and sassing back, they are making a roar.

Buck up, boys, and play the game. What did you expect the Star to do when it said it was going to work for the dries? To make that announcement, and then go on devoting its space to the crops, the roads, the fair, society matters and the war?

That isn't the Star's way of attending to business. When it sits on the fence, it sits on the fence. When it gets off the fence, it goes clean away from it.

Why don't you send for your Mr. Harrison? We would dearly like to get a few whacks at him.

Perhaps you think you can better spend your money in paying poll taxes for ignorant darkeys and in hiring depraved men to go among them and bug them and dose them with cheap whisky. If you think so, you are right. If you will notice, there is not a single reputable newspaper that is upholding the saloon business, and not a reputable writer who can find anything good to say for it.

When the Star took the dry side, is expected to lose money and it expected to lose business. The dries are shy of coin. They haven't enough money for their whole campaign to run this paper a week.

However, the Star has a very good circulation among the best people of the city and the county. They read the paper, not because it is dry, but because it has a lot of news in it, and is independent in its opinions. And 99 per cent of its advertising comes from business men who desire to reach that class of people. We may lose money and lose business, but not enough to put us out of business.

So we say to our saloon friends, play the game and keep up your subscriptions to the Star. It will have something interesting for you every day, and it is really beneath your dignity to read a copy that may be paid for by a prohibitionist. For you all read it, most of you before the ink is dry.

WALTER PRIEST FOR SHERIFF

As the campaign approaches a number of our citizens are letting it become known among their friends that they expect to place themselves before the next primary as candidates for public office.

On Saturday while in the city Mr. Walter A. Priest of Anthony, called at the Star office and said he would be a candidate for sheriff of Marion county at the democratic primary.

Mr. Priest, as well as his father, Mr. C. C. Priest before him, was born in Marion county, and has always been a most progressive citizen. He is forty-four years old and has spent all his life within our borders. For a number of years he was with the Dunnellon Phosphate Company, occupying a responsible position in mining operations, while the remainder of his life has been spent on the farm, at which he has made more than an ordinary success.

Mr. Priest has many friends all over the county, and being in every way qualified to fill the office to which he aspires, will no doubt be among the strong candidates when the vote is canvassed next spring.

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ADVERTISE IN THE STAR.

PROHIBITION AND PROSPERITY

When the prohibition movement first started, one of the principal arguments made against it by the wets was that to vote saloons out of a town would greatly decrease its material prosperity. The argument was extensively advanced that a saloon town was always a live town, one where money circulated and things were doing all the time, and a dry town was vice versa.

The doctrine has been worked for all it was worth in Marion's wet or dry campaigns. The bogie of business deterioration has been held up high and shaken fiercely at our people. The wets have frequently given us to understand that if the saloons were shut the grass would grow in Ocala's streets.

How Much Have the Saloons Helped?

Ocala has passed thru about the hardest year of its existence. Business has been more restricted in proportion than at any time since the big freeze of twenty years ago. It has been in some ways worse, for in 1895 the phosphate mines and turpentine farms were running full blast.

How far have our seven saloons contributed toward keeping us prosperous in this dull year? How much business have they brought to town?

Not any, so as you could notice it. If it hadn't been for the farmers in the country round about, a majority of them prohibitionists, the grass would have grown in our streets sure enough.

We Have Lived Not by Them But In Spite of Them

If all our saloons had been shut two years ago, a few families, not enough to notice, would have moved away. Probably more would have come in, and a great deal of money

NERVOUS COLLAPSE.

Kissimmee, Fla.—"I have been thinking for a long time that I would send you my testimonial that some other woman may be induced, as I feel sure she will, to use your 'Favorite Prescription.'"



From my experience in receiving very decided help from its use, I feel equally as certain that she also will get the desired relief. My cheeks were very pale, sallow and bloodless. The general condition was very discouraging, as I was in a state of nervous collapse, with exhaustion, and after trying various physicians and not improving I made up my mind to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. After taking the fifth bottle I was so fully restored to health that I discontinued taking it."—Mrs. P. J. BRENEX, 714 Mabbette St.

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that has gone to the wholesale liquor houses and breweries of the north would have remained to circulate at home, or else gone to buy something useful.

It is conceded that the best farming country in the state is around Ocala. Yet it cannot be denied that Ocala in the last year has been no better off than the neighboring dry towns of Gainesville, Orlando, Palatka and Lakeland.

Our Neighbor Cities Thrive Without Booze

Last week, the writer had an opportunity to inspect the neighboring city of Gainesville. That town has been dry for years. In its business center and in its residence section, is plainly shown there is more money in circulation than there is in Ocala.

It is true that Gainesville has one great advantage over Ocala. It has the state university.

But Gainesville would never have had the state university if it hadn't been a dry town. The people of Florida would not have allowed their boys to go to it to complete their education if it had been supplied with saloons, as Ocala is.

Prohibition is a Recommendation

Is it not plain to the well-informed among our people that dryness is a business asset instead of a disadvantage to a town or county? Is it not easy to see that the further business and professional men can keep saloons, not only from their schools but from their factories and stores, the better satisfied they will be?

Can Trust Us Only with Convicts

Ocala will never have any great state institution as long as it is a wet town. Its true, we have a convict hospital, and a chance to have one of the reform schools. But the state always keeps convicts and reform school scholars out of the saloons.

It is true that Ocala and Marion county want more people and more business. But they want sober people, for only sober people can properly attend to other people's affairs and their own.

Nobody Wants the Booze Fighters

The Board of Trade would not encourage a drinking man to come here and establish a business of his own. Our manufacturers would not import mechanics who drink, and our stores would not welcome clerks who drink. Our farmers do not want drinking men to come and settle among them. Our business establishments dread the patronage of drinking men.

Sober People Want to Live in Sober Counties

On the other hand, all over the United States the best class of emigrants, the people who are turning their faces to the South, the people the South needs, are sober men and women, and when they study the maps and the literature of the country to which they desire to go, they give the preference to the dry counties.

Do We Brag on Our Saloons

Marion is one of the few wet counties in not only Florida but the South. Is it any advantage to her? Do we ever advertise it?

The Marion County Board of Trade has put out a good deal of literature in the last few years. Search that literature from Alpha to Omega, and see if anywhere in it, either in big display or nonpareil Roman, you can find the line:

"Ocala Has Seven Saloons"

When you are abroad, do you ever brag, "We have the only wet town between Tampa and Jacksonville."

Have you heard of any move to put on the signboards of the Central Florida route of the Dixie Highway, "Ocala, Only Saloon Town Between the Ohio River and Tampa Bay"?

How does the saloon business help Ocala?

Well, it is the liquor distributing point for Alachua, Putnam, Lake, Orange, Sumter, Hernando, Citrus and Levy counties. It sends into those counties considerable stuff that does nobody any good and does many people a great deal of harm. It brings into Ocala a considerable amount of money, a small part of which stays in Ocala, and the balance goes to the distillers and the brewers in northern states.

Whom the Booze Fighters Make Happy

Who is glad to see drinking men come to Ocala?

The saloons, of course. A small bunch of gamblers, none of whom drink enough to affect their minds and nerves. The inmates of the redlight resorts. And nobody else.

The Philathea class of the Baptist Sunday school will be glad to receive orders for paper flowers. If you are planning to decorate your car or float for the fair parade, you will do well to consult Mrs. W. A. Goin, who will have charge of the work.

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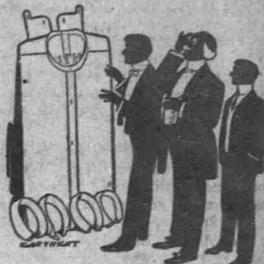
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