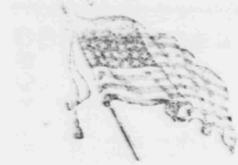


THE OCALA BANNER.

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MOTTO: THE BANNER, BELIEVING HOSE AT THE TOP WELL ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES, HAS TAKEN ITS STAND IN THE BARRICADES WITH THE COMMON PEOPLE, AND ITS FIGHT WILL BE MADE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THOSE AT THE BOTTOM.

The chinaberry is a horse diet in Sumter county.

When a woman argues, she leaves nothing to be said.

Ex-Speaker Reed continues to be a very sick man.

Some women try to keep a man's love by not returning it.

The Tampa incubator baby is dead. It lived two months.

Any man can make a reputation; the trouble is to keep it.

Pride is something that keeps a woman from looking her age.

It isn't every man who can save his money and remain popular.

A poor man never ceases to marvel at the economy of a rich man.

Be wise. Do your Christmas shopping at least a week before Christmas.

Even a love match may flicker out unless there's a little cash back of it.

The indications are that we are going to have some real winter weather.

The addition to Florida's state capitol is nearly completed. It is stately and imposing in appearance.

One young man wants to know how long girls should be courted. Same as short girls, of course.

The fall and winter crop of sponges at Tarpon Springs is estimated to reach in money value about \$100,000.

The democrats are going to have another harmony dinner. Now, look out for greater discussions and disagreements.

No decisive action has yet been taken against Venezuela by the powers. Perhaps Uncle Sam has not yet showed his hand.

It is discovered that the corn shuck makes the best paper in the world. It will not be long before all shucks will be used for that purpose.

Savannah need never bother to have her police and detectives vaccinated—they couldn't catch even smallpox.—Atlanta Journal.

Starting and Staying.

At the start in a long race, the advantage appears to be with an outsider. But the race is won not in starting but in staying. The quality which wins is staying power. It is so in the race of life. Staying power wins, and as a rule the best stayer is the man with the best stomach. All physical strength is derived from food which is properly digested and assimilated. When the food eaten is only partly digested and assimilated there is a loss of nutrition which means a loss of strength and the general result is physical break-down.



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PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

Discussion of presidential candidates for the democratic nomination in 1904 is idle and even mischievous from every point of view. So far as the future of democracy is concerned, it serves no good purpose. The only effect of it is to impede the complete unification of the party and, thereby, give comfort and consolation to the common republican enemy. To set democrats by the ears, and keep them wrangling over old controversies, personal and general, is shrewd republican tactics, and the crafty politicians and wily editors, who direct that organization, are tireless in their efforts to foment the discord and prevent it from dying out. In this way, they distract the attention of the masses from the misdeeds and sinister purposes of their own party, from its crimes of omission and commission in the interest of the few against the welfare of the many. It is the old game of "divide and conquer," and should deceive no one.

Frequently we hear it said, and occasionally see it in print, that the race of great democrats, capable and worthy of filling the first station in the gift of the people, no longer exists. Nothing could be farther from the truth. We shall name no names, but any democrat can easily count from ten to fifteen men who are, both intellectually and in every other way, the superiors of any equal number of men in the republican party. The fact is that, in point of high leadership, the republican party is running to seed. On nearly all those who are not too old to bear the weight of the presidency is the brand of corporate power, around their necks the locked collar of the trusts. One of the very ablest republicans in the country left, a few years ago, the chair of the speaker of the house of representatives for a cosy corner in the headquarters of plutocracy, and he is but one of many. Leadership in republican councils has become the stepping stone to power and pre-eminence in the council rooms of tariff-created capital.

Twelve or fifteen months hence will be the time to talk about the man who shall lead the democracy in 1904. Then will the precise issues on which the battle is to be fought have been formulated. It may be that they will be the same as confronted the party in the recent fall campaign, and then, again, they may be widely different. Therefore, is it the part of wisdom to wait, and not worry about the crossing of political bridges that are now so far in the distance. It is not democratic "horse sense." Democracy has plenty of generals to lead it when the time comes for it to be led. All of them are fit, capable and faithful to the constitution, the great Jeffersonian test and qualification for office. To no particular quarter of the Union do they belong. They hail from the North, the South, the East and the West.

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The Tampa Tribune is putting in a new perfecting press—the same style as that now used by the Jacksonville Metropolis. The Tribune is a splendid newspaper and is keeping steady steps to Tampa's splendid progress and will soon be one of the finest newspaper properties in Florida, and Wallace Stovall will be to Florida what William R. Hearst is to the United States, and his genius will in like manner be recognized by his party.

Whatever is left of the Chicago and Kansas City platforms is still sour. We shall gather up the fragments patch them together and stand on them. In the language of Tom Johnson, we proclaim that "truth loses battles but no wars."

HEARST FOR PRESIDENT.

It may be remembered that just after his election to congress by a majority almost double that of his predecessor, this paper said that perhaps the democratic party would find in W. R. Hearst all the presidential timber it might require.

His fitness as a presidential possibility is now being seriously discussed by Washington politicians, and the New York Journal, the Chicago American and the San Francisco Examiner are all devoting considerable space to the suggestion, which finds some indorsement elsewhere that Mr. Hearst is the available man for the democrats to nominate in 1904. One recent issue of the Journal contained no less than three separate display stories treating this subject, all from different standpoints, and all of them, it is needless to say, favorable to Mr. Hearst.

In the meantime Mr. Hearst and his friends are endeavoring to persuade the democratic members of the legislature of New York that they should give their complimentary vote for senator to him.

The leading argument in his behalf is based upon the position he, through his newspapers, has taken in favor of organized labor.

One interesting feature of the Hearst programme was the bringing East of Mayor Schmidt, of San Francisco, who, it will be recalled, was elected as a labor candidate over the nominees of the two parties. Mayor Schmidt made numerous speeches during his tour East, in each of all of them having a great deal to say about Mr. Hearst being the special friend of labor. The speeches were, of course, very fully recorded in all of the Hearst newspapers.

Glorious Womanhood.

A woman's power avails most when it is asserted least. Strenuousness or perhaps strenuousness—I am not sure which is the better of the insistent noun—is a quality which has long existed in people and things; but the highest honor and the important role which are claimed for it today are somewhat recent; and before the claim is granted it, would be well for us to have a little clearer idea of what quality means. Is it simply another name for earnestness, vigor and energy? Surely then, it is a good thing and much to be desired by boys and girls, in men and women. It is not the highest quality. Thoughtfulness is high, sincerity is higher and charity is the highest of all. But these noble traits are enhanced in value when they are filled with steady force. The strenuous life is the life that sounds like a trumpet. It is dominant, assertive and militant. There is a tone of defiance and strife in it. It is next door to strident life. If this is what it means it's not a natural or desirable life for girls. I take it for granted that a man and a woman are of the same worth and not of the same kind. A woman's special and inestimable value in the world lies just in the qualities which make her womanhood. And these are things which strenuousness must disturb if not destroy. A serene and gentle dignity, a tranquil wisdom to counsel and restrain; a fine delicacy of feeling, quick to rejoice, tender to suffer, yet patient to endure; a subtle sense of the value of small, unpurchasable things; a power of great confidence and self sacrifice almost limitless where love speaks the word and duty shows the task; an instinct of protection and a joyful pride in mothering the weak; a brave loyalty to the rights of the heart against "the freezing reason's colder parts;" a noble hunger and thirst for harmony; an impregnable strength of personal reserve; an exhaustless generosity of personal surrender—these are the native glories of womanhood. These are the things that life, if true and well ordered, should deepen, unfold, brighten and harmonize in the perfection of a woman's character.—Henry Van Dyke.

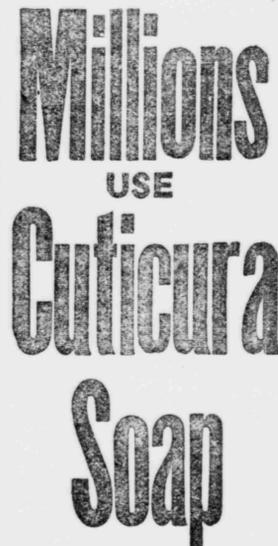
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As to Those Bouquets.

We are glad to see the newspapers of the state throwing at each other so many bouquets composed of so many fragrant, lovely and exquisite flowers. The custom is a lovely one and is to be encouraged and commended, but deliver us from some of the mud bouquets that some newspaper editors are continually pelting their rivals with. Let's confiscate and obliterate editorial mud in all the forms in which it is used.

Orange County Goes Wet.

The protracted drought is broken. In the wet or dry election yesterday the wets carried the county by about 250 majority. The official canvass will give the exact figures. The total vote of the Orlando precinct was 431, giving the wets 119 majority.—Orlando Record.



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A negro Methodist conference at Norfolk, Va., adopted resolutions the other day endorsing President Roosevelt's attitude toward the appointment of negroes to office. It is to be hoped the negroes will not, however, carry their gratitude and affection for the president to the extent of naming all their offspring "Theodore" in the future. We positively shudder at the thought of a generation of negroes named Theodore. Let them stick to "Abe" for awhile longer.—Atlanta Journal.

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Still Another Bouquet.

The Ocala Banner is improving every day. Brother Frank Harris is a good newspaper man and it is a pleasure for the News to note that he is meeting with such success.—Arcadia News.

Ocala Praised.

The Sumter Times is authority for the hope that Ocala wants the next State Fair. Well, what county could deserve it more than the one which takes so many prizes?—Times-Union and Citizen.

The retail merchants of Ocala certainly see great "things" ahead this winter, as there have been more goods received here during the past three weeks than in any other similar period in our city's history.

OLD PEOPLE



Do not always receive the sympathy and attention which they deserve. Their ailments are regarded as purely imaginary, or natural and unavoidable at their time of life. Disease and infirmity should not always be associated with old age. The eye of the gray haired grandparent may be as bright and the complexion as fair as any of his younger and more vigorous companions.

Good Blood is the secret of healthy old age, for it regulates and controls every part of the body, strengthens the nerves, makes the muscles elastic and supple, the bones strong and the flesh firm; but when this life fluid is polluted or poisoned and loses its nutritive, health sustaining elements, then there is a rapid decline of the vital powers, resulting in premature old age and disease. Any derangement of the blood quickly shows itself in an ulcer, sore, wart, tumor or some other troublesome growth upon the body, and rheumatic and neuralgic pains become almost constant, accompanied with poor digestion and cold extremities.

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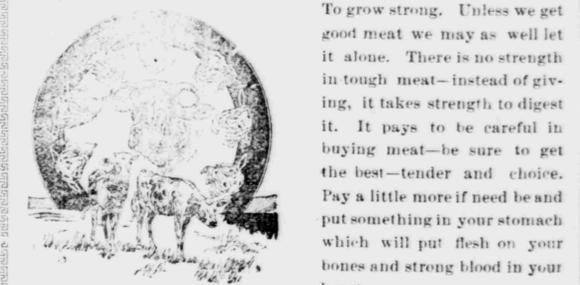
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