

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

FORT MCCOY TO THE FRONT

Railroad Connection Will Inspire Hope, Courage and Better Times

Special Cor. Ocala Banner:

After considerable delay a right of way has been secured through the land of Mr. H. C. Martin for the Ocala and Northern railroad, and work will now be pushed more vigorously. The last report is that work will commence on the erection of the big mill in a few days, as the company has thirteen cars of machinery loaded on the tracks at Silver Springs ready to come as soon as the iron is laid on the last mile of road to the mill site. A new spur has been surveyed from the main line to the Fort McCoy Turpentine Company's plant and commissary, which will be quite a convenience to them in shipping their goods and naval stores.

Superintendent Acheson of the Fort McCoy Turpentine Company has completed his residence and moved in. The work of installing this new plant is progressing nicely under the supervision of Architect Benjamin. They say the whistle will soon blow, the machinery will begin to buzz, and the big "hog" will commence to eat stumps, limbs, roots and logs, and the several products of this wonderful concern will begin to materialize and make the promoters vastly wealthy. Then, you know, Mr. Editor, we can sell our old, aggravating lightwood stumps that have been breaking our plows for these many years, for 10 cents apiece, where heretofore we have had to give 10 cents apiece to have them dug out and destroyed.

We are glad to report that the epidemic of the grippe and measles, which has so severely afflicted the people of this section is waning, and nearly every family is now nearly well of both.

Some candidates have been considerably worked up over the excessive assessment made by the executive committee, and think that it is the entering wedge to the destruction of our primary system, as it virtually bars the poor man from seeking office, leaving it entirely with those who have the "long green" in abundance.

The many friends here of J. E. Stevens of Crystal River are pleased to learn that he will be a candidate for clerk of the court of Citrus county, and sincerely hope he will be successful in the primary.

One thing noticeable is the little interest manifested by the people in the coming primary, and the candidates are slow in making their wants known.

J. W. Stevens wishes to express thanks to the many friends who have urged him to make the race for county commissioner in the fifth district; but after careful consideration has decided that the sacrifice to his business interests would be too great, and knowing that there would be men seeking this position who would fill the place equally as well, if not better, kindly asks to be excused.

Some few have planted vegetables to ship over the new railroad.

H. C. Martin and Wells Matchett have beans growing nicely.

Rev. Mr. Fisher of Gainesville, Fla., will preach in the Baptist church here next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. He is a brick layer by trade, and is here installing the three monster boilers of the Fort McCoy Turpentine Company, to run their machinery.

The Masons of this place held their regular monthly meeting at their hall last Saturday evening, exemplifying the work in the first degree. The new worshipful master, J. R. Thomas, officiated.

After plenty of rain all through fall and winter it seems now from the appearances that a drouth is on us, and some are experiencing trouble to get stands of field crops.

We are glad to report that cattle have stood the past winter better than for several years.

FAIRFIELD FACTS

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The weather is quite warm and shows some signs of rain in a few days, which we will be very delighted to see on account of the young crops coming on.

L. L. Smith was in Orange Springs Friday. He reports everything going on nicely in that section.

Miss Mamie Dupuis is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stokes.

Mr. C. S. Reese left for Dallas, Fla., Tuesday, where he expects to spend two or three weeks.

Miss Della Smith returned home Friday from Bay Lake, where she has been teaching school.

Mr. J. C. Dupree of Reddick was in our town Monday evening.

COW BOY.

MARTEL JOTTINGS

Special Cor. Ocala Banner:

After a long suspension, caused by a sick family, a press of numerous matters and unreliable labor, this scribe resumes his jottings for Martel and vicinity.

The farmers are just now getting their crops planted, possibly because of an unusual late Easter, which is supposed by some to indicate a late spring. The whip-poor-wills, however, have begun their nightly songs, and the farmers are getting a move on them. So much for early training.

Rain is very much needed, and the young oranges are dropping badly from the effects of the dry weather. There is a glut of vegetables in the market of Martel and some are feeding splendid cabbage to their hogs. This is caused in part by some of the Martel Lumber Company going into the vegetable business, and some of its leading inhabitants raising their own supplies.

The Martel Lumber Company, having cleaned up its timber near the mill that is ready for use, have transferred their operations eight miles south in the vicinity of Petteway's still.

A number of excellent families have moved into Martel, whose inhabitants as a whole will compare favorably with the most progressive towns of the state.

The death of Miss Fannie Seckinger cast a gloom of sorrow upon the people of Martel and the surrounding country. She was a most estimable lady, and after the death of her mother acted as both sister and mother to her brothers, whose irreparable loss to them will be sadly felt. They have the sympathy of all of our people.

J. H. Seckinger of Martel has located an irrigating plant at Martel on the elevated plan for pipes, which when in working order will probably revolutionize the system of raising vegetables on an extensive scale.

Miss Hollister of Evinston, Ill., who is said to be a national organizer of the W. C. T. U., delivered a lecture at Martel on the evening of the 17th inst. to a full house, which was listened to with respectful attention. At the close of which three new members were added to the organization.

The Rev. W. H. Outland preached an excellent sermon at St. Johns church Sunday morning, and another at Martel at night to appreciative congregations. He will preach at St. Johns the fifth Sunday at 11 a. m., and at Martel at night.

Two members of the St. Johns Sunday school have joined the church and others will follow.

A fine specimen of young boyhood made glad the parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woodard, recently, whose anniversary of his birth can only be celebrated every four years.

St. Johns Sunday school has adopted the plan of having one of the leading scholars to prepare a written synopsis of the intervening Scripture between the past and present lesson, and reading it to the whole school just before the application of the lesson, which puts the minds of the school to work and adds to the efficiency of the members.

A PLEASANT PHYSIC

When you want a pleasant physic give Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets a trial. They are mild and gentle in their action, and always produce a pleasant cathartic effect. Call at all druggists for a free sample. x

FLORIDA CELERY GOOD

The New York Produce News says that there was a liberal supply of celery last week. As the California supply is cleaning up, the Florida product was in good demand, and the market was easily sustained at \$1 for six dozen cases and \$3@3.50 for three and a half dozen cases. Some of the crop is coming in green and not well bleached. Growers are anxious to take advantage of the present high prices and are rushing their stock to market before it is thoroughly matured.

About five cars of California celery are yet on track. This is moving out fairly well at \$4@4.50 per crate. Ten cars of Jersey Island stock are rolling. This will clean up the California celery shipment this year.

THE LUCKY QUARTER

Is the one you pay out for a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They bring you the health that's more precious than jewels. Try them for headache, biliousness, constipation and malaria. If they disappoint you the price will be cheerfully refunded at Tydings & Co's drugstore. x

Remember that the Ponce de Leon celebration comes off at St. Augustine April 1, 2, 3. This great historical event is to be reproduced on an elaborate scale. Special rates will be made and a good crowd ought to go over from Ocala and other towns in Marion county to see it.

BELLEVIEW BRIEFS

Special Cor. Ocala Banner:

The Loyal Temperance Legion held their regular meeting in the M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Several visitors were present and four new members were added. Miss Bessie Shedd presided at the organ.

Mrs. Stephen Hopkins and three children of Crystal River are visiting at Mr. J. J. Nelsons's. They have been visiting at Mr. L. L. Hopkins's.

The young people held a dance at the station on Monday night. The platform had been fixed up for the occasion, and with a large, good natured crowd and a perfect night the result was an unusually successful dance. Everything passed off pleasantly and in good order.

Mrs. Harry Fausett of Ocala has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Proctor. At a special meeting of the Anti-Saloon League, W. R. Bryant was elected delegate to represent Belleview at the state convention now in session in Gainesville.

Mr. Arthur Milsom has gone to Oxford to work. He is a painter by trade.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Ashworth this week. The meeting had been planned for a mother's meeting, but as so few mothers were present it was decided to hold that in two weeks, at the next regular meeting.

The Belleview Workers will hold a meeting this week to plan for their spring sale and supper.

Mrs. Arthur Walker is visiting her father, Mr. Joe Whisenant.

Miss Louise Hollister of Evinston, Ill., is expected to give a lecture here on March 27. She is a grand W. C. T. U. woman, and is a national lecturer and organizer. We hope everyone will avail themselves of this opportunity to hear her.

Rev. Joel Ridge returns this week to his home in Illinois.

Several more of our winter visitors will leave Belleview this week for their northern homes.

O. M. Gale, with his two sons and some friends, went to Smith Lake to fish on day this week, and stayed over one night.

UNEQUALED AS A CURE FOR CROUP

"Besides being an excellent remedy for colds and throat troubles, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is unequalled as a cure for croup," says Harry Wilcox of Waynetown, Ind. When given as soon as the croupy cough appears, this remedy will prevent the attack. It is used successfully in many thousands of homes. For sale by all druggists. x

ELECTRA ECHOES

Special Cor. Ocala Banner:

We learn with pleasure that Electra will have another winter resident in the future. Mr. Cole, who has been visiting Mr. Higgins during the past winter, has bought a beautiful orange grove on Lake Bryant from Mr. Daughtry, and will spend part of each year in the Land of Flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClymonds of Ocala were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Waters at this place this week. They went to Lake Weir one day and report having had an excellent time picnicking on the beautiful lake. Mrs. McClymonds also went fishing on Lake Bryant and enjoying pulling in the trout very much. We hope they will come again soon.

There is some talk of extending the Electra school another month this year. We all hope this will be done, as we will then get to enjoy the pleasant society of the teacher, Miss Belle Bishop, for that much longer time.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Holley's health has improved some. We hope that he will soon be well.

Some of our young people are looking forward with much pleasure to the coming of the show to Ocala, as they are expecting to take it in.

Politics are beginning to warm up a little out here and most of the candidates will have some friends in this precinct.

Miss Dixie Pillans, who has been teaching at Lake Bryant, has finished her school, and we are glad to have her at home again.

JOHN PETER.

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GRAHAMVILLE AND CONNOR

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Miss Josephine Bullock and Miss Sallie Bent rice of Ocala are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Durisoe and Mr. and Mrs. Heinemann at Petersburg.

The Indian Mound school, Miss Mamie Dupuis, teacher, closed last Friday. An entertainment was given and a great crowd attended.

Misses Emma Mason and Rebecca Counts spent Thursday night with Miss Christina Heinemann at Petersburg, and on Friday, with Miss Heinemann, attended the charming entertainment at the Indian Mound school.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Randall rave as their guests at the "Randall" Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harvey of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Alonzo Long and children and Misses Carrie and Beulah Holley attended the Indian Mound entertainment. Among others who were there were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harvey of Pennsylvania, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fore of Griner Farm and Mr. Walter Perkins and Miss Inez Chalker of Ocala.

Mrs. Henry Heinemann and pretty daughter, Christina, accompanied Mr. Heinemann to Ocala on one of his trips last week. They went up to do some shopping.

W. D. Graham, the abstract man of the Marion Abstract Company, Ocala, was in our midst a few days this and last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Graham. While here he inspected the old "swimming hole," went fishing and rested with us down at the grocery, where we swapped yarns of the coming presidential and the rest of the elections.

Postmaster B. L. Hickman of Grahamville paid Ocala a visit one day last week. He went up on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long of Gainesville are in Grahamville, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Randall.

Gainesvilleites are all very much in love with their town—the University City. Mr. Long says his hat will always hang in Gainesville and that the city is on more of a boom now than ever before.

We of the country are always wishing for you city cousins to come and visit us any old time. Our front doors are wide open to you. Covers can be laid in our dining room for several at a time. Come and see us often.

Miss Belle Haycraft of Berlin, who taught for a month the Eaton Creek school, and gave it up on account of the mumps in the neighborhood, is now teaching at Hawthorne. She says that Hawthorne is a pretty little place and that she is in love with her work and her pupils.

The many friends of D. L. Graham of Gainesville, who has been quite sick for a while, but is now improving, are very much pleased to learn of his improvement and hope that he will soon be out.

Mr. William Hogan has purchased a Texas pony, of which he is very proud.

We are anxiously awaiting the day when Tucker and Mathews will put their launch on the river.

This side of the river sent quite a delegation up to Ocala Saturday to do some trading.

Connor was honored one day the past week by the presence in her midst of Mrs. W. H. Clark, Mrs. C. H. Lloyd and Miss Louise Harris of Ocala, and a number of others. Capt. Clark brought them down on the Josephine.

Our road is being worked and we cannot find enough words of "thanking" to here express our thanks.

Our county is quite a large one. We have two good sized cities in it, with grocery, dry goods, furniture, hardware, and other kinds of stores, and they are of the very best, and handle the very best of goods. Our hamlets are many and have nice mercantile establishments. Now, if we can get what we want at home, why need we go away from home to trade. Yet we do so. We go up to Jacksonville for a barrel of flour, send down to Tampa for a dress, and trade around like that. Stop! Buy everything you can at home and build up the homeland. Build up the hamlets and the cities and the highways around you first, and then build them a little bit more.

Recently while chatting with a charming Marion county school marm (who is now teaching out of the county) in the chat she told us that she came down to her home town, Ocala, to Dr. Blalock, to have her teeth worked on instead of going to Jacksonville, which was closer. She said she wanted to patronize the home-land and the home doctor.

The dry weather does not let up at all the the farmers are "in the hole." A mere sprinkle would be a Godsend just now.

Capt. Clark reports the little river very low now. He says that in places his launch, the Josephine, drags. The other river, with the help of Silver

Springs run, is still navigable, and the Hiawatha comes up three times a week.

At the closing exercises of Indian Mound school Mr. W. D. Carn was present and gave a talk. Mr. P. L. Durisoe and several others gave talks and also some presents. The great affair ended with a wish that Miss Dupuis would be with them next term.

CHATEN CHUM.

NERVOUSNESS

By properly toning and feeding the nerves with pure blood, which is done by using P. P. P., Lippman's Great Remedy, the most marvelous cures of nervousness are made, restoring health immediately to the patient and making him strong and vigorous in a little while.

P. P. P. is superior to all Sarsaparillas.

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Any physician will tell you that P. P. P. is the best combination of green root and barks that was ever put together for the cure of weakness, general debility and nervousness. It is a good tonic and the best blood purifier in the world.

For sale by all druggists. 5.

SOUTH LAKE WEIR

Special Cor. Ocala Banner:

The W. C. T. U. entertainment and social at Weirsdale Saturday evening was a decided success. The various selections of singing and speaking were much enjoyed by the large audience present. The church was beautifully decorated, and to the ladies of this organization is due much credit.

Mr. E. M. Tenney seems to be having more than his share of misfortune as he has recently fractured his arm, having lost control of the crank of a motor boat engine while attempting to start it.

Mr. Buckalew, who annually spends some time here, is again at the Pleasant Hills Home.

One familiar sound we now miss is the whistle of the McGehee mill, which has closed down.

Mrs. P. A. Peterson spent a couple of days in Ocala recently.

STOP THE STRENUOUS LIFE

Weakens the Tissues and Lessens Organic Vitality

The stress and strain of the strenuous life in both city and country tends toward stomach trouble. Five people suffer today where one did ten years ago with sick headache, dizziness, flatulence, distress after eating, specks before the eyes, bloating, nervousness, sleeplessness and the many other symptoms of indigestion.

All who are suffering with stomach troubles, and that means at least two out of three in Ocala and other towns, should use Mi-o-na stomach tablets. Nothing else is as safe, yet effective; nothing else can be so thoroughly relied upon to relieve all troubles from indigestion as Mi-o-na.

So reliable is Mi-o-na in its curative action that the Postoffice Drugstore, with every 50 cent box it sells, gives a guarantee to refund the money unless the remedy cures.

MORE FARMING NECESSARY

Citra, Fla., March 16, 1908.

To the Editor Ocala Banner:

I wonder if the farmers of Marion county ever stop to rest their weary bodies on their farms and think of farming being the oldest as well as the purest industry of mankind?

Agriculture, though practically in early days without any correct knowledge of cause and effect, was always held in high esteem. Five thousand years ago, which was long before money was in use, Egypt flourished and was building her great pyramids, one alone employing one hundred thousand men for thirty years to complete this "great stone structure." To this day there is inscribed upon its walls, in Egyptian characters, the immense sums it cost in leeks, garlic, onions and the like, and let me remind you again that the brightest minds and the most perfect specimens of mankind have been developed on the farm.

It was in the Egyptian schools that Moses was taught to become the great law-giver of the Jews. Calumella, contemporary with Virgil, wrote: "The art of husbandry is so necessary for the support of human life and the comfortable subsistence and happiness of mankind have so great a dependence upon it that the wisest men in all ages have ascribed its origin to God as the inventor and ordainer of it," and this great industry is just as vital for the sustenance of life today as it was then.

Webster, of our own generation, wrote: "Agriculture feeds us, to a great extent clothes us—without it we could not have manufactures and commerce. These all stand in a cluster, and that largest is agriculture."

Agriculture is indeed the most fruitful source of the riches of a country and the welfare of its inhabitants, and only, as the state of agriculture is more or less flourishing, can we judge of the progress of a people. But despite the teachings of the wisest men of all ages, agriculture has for years been weighed down by ignorance, prejudice and imperfection.

Imperfect action, the force of custom in every country, has held the farmers in chains, and without agriculture there would be no bond of security or love of country. It is in all countries the purest source of public prosperity.

Yours very truly,
LESTER S. MOODY.

BEST HEALER IN THE WORLD

Rev. P. Starbird of East Raymond, Maine, says: "I have used Bucklen's Arnica Salve for several years, on my old army wound, and other obstinate sores, and find it the best healer in the world. I use it too with great success in my veterinary business." Price 25c. at Tydings & Co's. drugstore.

LAKE WEIR

Special Cor. Ocala Banner:

The most enjoyable affair of the season took place Saturday afternoon from 1 p. m. until 8 p. m. A large party was given by Mr. H. W. Henry, Sr., to about thirty-five of the neighbors and visiting friends. Capt. Robert L. Fosnot had the barge in charge and with the steamer Della to tow the barge, made an ideal fleet for picnic parties, with plenty of room to seat fifty or more, and then have ample space for games or dancing. The party engaged in games and in trolling for trout, of which several fine ones were caught. The feature of the evening was the cake walk, led by Mr. W. H. Hoyt, with all the new fancy steps which Mr. Hoyt had picked up in his extensive travels the past season. When the sun began to decline a landing was made at the Bullock Park, where a sumptuous supper was served, which would have delighted the most inveterate epicure.

Great fears were entertained for a while after supper that Dr. Hood must be phoned for when Dr. Henry began to look miserable and actually refused any more salad, pie and cake, but we were glad to see a change for the better, and the genial, whole-souled physician was able and most willing to take a party of young people out for a moonlight ride in his beautiful launch. After which all were profuse in thanking Mrs. Henry for an evening long to be remembered as the most delightful one ever spent on the lake.

Mr. Ben Russell launched his motor boat, the Rhode Island, yesterday, which proved quite a success. Mr. Sam Fosnot rendered him great assistance in overhauling and adjusting the engine. Mr. Fosnot is quite an expert in automobiles and motor engines, and has a great many calls for help when the "go" refuses to work in either.

MUCH CONCERN FELT

Ordinary Methods for Treating Catarrh Prove Unsuccessful

Written statistics that show an increase in catarrh have shaken confidence in the usual prescriptions to safeguard human health from the ravages of this disease.

When stomach dosing was proven ineffective, it was natural to look for some other treatment, and it is believed that in Hyomei an absolute cure for all catarrhal troubles has at last been found. Inhaled with the air you breathe, its healing medication reaches every part of the nose and throat, and soothes the irritated mucous membrane so that relief is almost instant, while lasting cure is practically sure to follow.

The complete Hyomei outfit costs but \$1. and is sold by the Postoffice Drugstore under an absolute agreement to refund the money if it does not give satisfaction.

Attorney General Ellis of Tallahassee, who is a candidate for re-election, stopped over in Ocala Tuesday en route from Tampa to Tallahassee.

General Ellis has been in Tampa for several days instituting or authorizing the institution of a suit on the part of the city for the annulment of the charter of the Tampa Water Company. It is claimed that at the recent fire in that city, although the fire department reached the building in which the fire originated in ample time to have saved it and prevented the spread of the flames, which ended in the great conflagration, had it been possible to have gotten water. General Ellis said that three streams were turned on the building from as many directions, but there was not sufficient pressure to throw the water to the top of the windows on the lower story.