THE OCALA BANNER

THE NEWSPAPER—"WHAT IS IT BUT A MAP OF BUSY LIFE: ITS FLUCTUATIONS AND VAST CONCERNS."—COWPER.

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Local and Personal

Mrs. Pierce and children of Fort McCoy are the guests of Mrs. E. P. Rentz.

Mr. F. B. Beckham is at home from Fernandina to spend Christmas with his family.

Capt. W. L. Ditto will spend the holidays with his wife and sons in Jacksonville.

Mr. C. C. Priest of Anthony was among the many Christmas buyers in Ocala Tuesday.

Mr. Gary Turnley is clerking at Helvenston & Pasteur's during the Christmas rush.

Capt. John L. Inglis was in Ocala Tuesday on his way to Jacksonville from Port Inglis.

Mr. Walter Briggs, who is now working at Hernando, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Hopkins left yesterday afternoon for Lake Helen to spend a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen B. Long have gone to Crescent City to spend Christmas with relatives.

The colored people are very proud of their exhibits at the Marion County Fair, and had a right to be.

Mr. Daniel Cappleman, who attends the University of Florida at Gainesville, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. Walter L. Harris of Inverness is on a visit to Ocala. He will go up to Jacksonville for Christmas day.

Mrs. Thomas K. Slaughter and Miss Ruby Moore, from Levon, were in Ocala Tuesday on a shopping expedition.

Prof. Karl Weihe of Jacksonville is in the city to spend the festive season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Weihe.

To the Ocala Banner belongs the honor of having printed the first daily paper in Marion county—but not the first weekly paper.

Mr. C. N. Kirkland of Ocala, was the guest of Mr. Arthur Chitty at St. Albans for lunch Saturday.—Times-Union.

Mr. W. L. Godwin, a prominent naval stores operato at Fairfield, was among the well known visitors in Ocala on Tuesday.

Mr. Joseph Williams of Crystal River, a brother of Mrs. C. E. Herrick, who is at home for the holidays, spent Tuesday with friends in Ocala.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Carroll and daughter, Meris, and Mrs. Carroll's brother M. Louis Yonce, will spend Christmas with their relatives at St. Petersburg.

Mr. Robert Murrell has gone to Palm Beach, where he will spend the winter. He has accepted a position with Editor Davies of the Palm Beach News.

At the Munroe & Chambliss Bank the prize winning corn is on exhibition. Mr. Joshua I. Gist of McIntosh, a young man sixteen years old, was the winner. He captured a very nice prize, and it cost him very little trouble.

Mrs. John Hansbrough and two little ones of Tampa are in the city to spend the hoildays with Mrs. E. H. Mote, Mrs. William Hocker and Mrs. Louis W. Duval. Mrs. Hansbrough is a sister-in-law of these three popular society ladies.

I will be in the office of the superintendent of public education all day Saturday, the 24th, where I will take pleasure in showing full merits in Wilmore's New Analytical Reference Bible, an invaluable gift for a life time. Salesmen wanted. J. E. Wagnon. 1t.

Mr. Walker Wilson, chief clerk in the superintendent's office at Gainesville, has been checked in as A. C. L. ticket agent in this city, in the place of Mr. Frank Huber, who is away indefinitely at Bronson on account of the serious illness of his mother.

Among the pleasantest of the Christmas parties that will be enjoyed by the young set is the one that Mr. D. E. McIver and Miss Bettie Wray McIver will give on Monday night for Messrs. McPhail McIver and Hugo MacIntosh.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ballard of Cornell spent Friday in Ocala at the fair.

Mr. Alfred Proctor was a fair visitor, and did not fail to give his Christmas contribution to the Ocala Banner.

Miss Miriam Pasteur, who is teaching in the Palatka public school this year, is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Cullen.

Miss Louise Nixon has returned to her home at Gainesville, after spending several weeks with her Ocala relatives and with friends at McIntosh.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobb of Holder, who spent the fair week in Ocala with their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cobb, returned to their home Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Stevens and her daughters arrived in Ocala Saturday afternoon from their home in Kentucky, and are the guests of the former's brother, Mr. Robert L. Anderson, and family.

Messrs. Sam Barco, McPhail McIver and Clarence Meffert, who are students at the Bingham Military Institute at Asheville, N. C., are spending the holidays at home.

The new officers elected for the Masons are as follows: J. A. Bouvier, W. M.; T. B. Snyder, S. W.; L. J. Knight, J. W.; W. V. Wheeler, secretary; J. E. Chace, treasurer.

The beautiful ferns and flowers exhibited at the fair by Mr. Schneider and Mr. Heintz were very greatly admired, as well as the artistic way in which they were aranged in the two buildings.

Mr. J. A. Reynolds of Lynne has our thanks for a bottle of newly made Florida syrup, which bears all the marks of superior excellence. Mr. Reynolds, who is a splendid farmer, was in the city Saturday transacting business.

Mr. Patrick Reynolds and Misses Ethel and Flossie Stanaland of Lynne were among the Saturday visitors in Ocala. They were pleasant callers at our office, and were very much interested in the operation of our Mergenthaler typesetting machine.

In the case of Frank Jefferson, accused of murder and who was put on trial Tuesday, after the conclusion of the evidence State Attorney E. W. Davis said that the state had no case against him and requested the judge to instruct the jury to bring in a verdict of "not guilty."

Messrs. Keating & Co., are supplying their friends with very handsome 1909 calendars. They are among the prettiest we have ever seen. The picture is called "Modesty," and shows the head of a very lovely girl. We observe that it bore the Red Cross stamp trade mark.

Mrs. W. Z. Overby and daughter, Mrs. J. Richards, left for Tampa to visit friends and relatives before returning home for the Christmas holidays. They have been spending several weeks in Ocala, the guest sof Mrs. Parr.

Mrs. G. W. Martin, Miss Jessilu Martin, Mrs. R. G. Blake and their guests, Mrs. Samford and Miss Mary Kate Samford of Opelika, Alabama, went up to Citra on Friday to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wartmann until today.

Col. J. H. Livingston is at home from Sarasota, where he had been for some time past at Dr. John Halton's private sanitarium, having his eye treated for cataract. Col. Livingston has suffered a great deal with his eyes, but hopes soon to be all right again, in which hope his friends concur.

Miss Annie Davis reached home Tuesday afternoon, after an absence of six months. Most of the time she has been with relatives in Columbus and other places in Ohio, and for the past several weeks she has been the guest of Miss Amanda Harris at Elizabethtown, Ky. Miss Davis had a very delightul visit, and her friends are glad to welcome her home again.

Mr. E. C. Welsh, formerly of Cornell, but who is now manager of the M. T. Welsh Lumber, Hardware, Coal Company of German Valley, N. J., in renewing his subscription to the Daily Banner, states that he and Mrs. Welsh still rteain a deep interest in their Florida friends, and greatly enjoy reading the Banner. Mr. Welsh says that he hopes to be in Florida before spring to look after his interests here.

AT THE FAIR GROUNDS SATURDAY

Almost as many visited the fair grounds Saturday as on any of the previous days.

The managers were busy all day in delivering the various exhibits to the proper owners, and not a single item was lost nor misplaced—not even to a turnip, a sweet potato, nor an ear of corn.

At the very last moment a lady approached one of the managers and said that she had laid her parasol on one of the tables on the opening day and had forgotten it.

Perry Edwards, who was one of the watchers, said: "Yes, madam, I have been keeping my eyes on it." He went to where she had left it, and it was still there.

Mr. D. A. Miller, who was one of the assistants, said that he did not hear a profane word uttered at any time during the four days

There was no drunkenness on the grounds and the utmost decorousness was at all times in evidence.

It was something marvelous.

Mr. W. R. Fisher, who had a lunch counter concession, said that he had been following fairs for the last seven years, from Canada to Texas. He had seen big fairs and little fairs, but he never saw a fair before move along so smoothly and with such perfect good order and good humor prevailing.

There was a commingling of the races, but there was never a rude word uttered.

For good morals and good manners Mr. Fisher said that the Marion County aFir was certainly entitled to wear the blue ribbon. Then, too, he said that every visitor seemed surprised at the magnitude of the exhibits and left the grounds entirely pleased.

The fair marks an epoch in our history, and from this time onward we anticipate a rivalry in farming which we hope will lead to a glorious future.

A BIRTHDAY PARTY TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Over in the golden west the sun hung an hour and a half after three in the afternoon. Down town, here, right under the court house dome, automobiles and vehicles of an hundred make, and pedestrians streamed, all going somewhere—and at the happening time, out at the home of her parents, Miss Annie Moorhead entertained. Just thirty-five smiling misses and beaux were invited out to her home on South Tuscawilla. Some of their names sounded like Johnnie, and Kate, and Mary, and Sam, and Sybilla—anyway, they were there to enjoy a big jubilee that marked time when the hostess became twelve years of age.

Around and around in their merriments the smiling misses daintily tripped. The beaux stood "attention" now and then, then chose a partner, and—she smiled; and he? why, he smiled all the time. And so the merry time went by very sweetly.

Later on in the afternoon the Christmas tree bloomed. It was a Christmas tree of the southland.

The tree was in the center of the dining table, and the room was lavishly decorated with holly and red roses.

After Kris Kringle had paid his visit and distributed the presents, Mrs. Moorhead, assisted by Mrs. W. D. Graham, served to the jolly jubileers refreshments.

INDUCING IMMIGRATION

Among the awards of the Marion County Fair Association that deserve more than passing mention was that to Mr. Louis J. Brumby, editor of the Florida Fruit and Truck Grower of Ocala, for the best agricultural and horticultural journal. This publication was established by the present editor and owner in Ocala in January, 1903, and will celebrate its sixth anniversary next month with a big special and very handsomely illustrated fair edition, which it is expected will be given a large circulation among prospective home-seekers in practically every state in the Union.

A number of prominent citizens in the county have been invited to contribute special articles to this number—articles that will both appeal to the possible settler and give him full information relative to the many advantages which we believe we have to offer, and which our fair did so much to demonstrate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stevens and baby of Crystal River were in Ocala on Tuesday, returning from a visit to Mr. Stevens' parents at Fort McCoy, where they had been especially to be present at the marriage of Mr. Stevens' sister, Miss Ruth Stevens, and Mr. Charles Williams on Sunday.

THE PIANO CONTEST

Mrs. Looney Gains 40,000 Votes and Continues to Lead

The count yesterday afternoon in the Co-Operative Piano Contest gives the following result:

Mrs. Looney	232686
Miss Legie Blitch	158932
Mrs. Engesser	125,547
Miss Rexie Todd	44395
Mrs. Culbreath	31459
Little Miss Freyermuth	31000
Miss Yonge	9415
Miss Woodrow	3485
Miss Genevieve Smith	2580
Miss Weston	1405
Mrs. Osteen	1220
Miss Louise Trimble	1000
Mrs. H. C. Groff, Dallas	844
Mrs. A. P. Monroe, Pine	525
Miss Fannie Mae Sage, Ocala	300
Miss Donella Griffin, Anthony	250
Mrs. R. W. Flinn, Ocala	200
Miss Alma Lee Jordan, Pine	100
Miss Maxie Fort, Lynne	100
Miss Maggie Peace	100
Mrs. J. W. Davis, Summerfield	80
Miss Rhoda Liddon, Ocala	
Miss Annie Feinberg, Dunnellon	
Miss Edna Dozier, Ocala	
Mrs. Royal E. Cole, Ocala	

Be sure to ask for coupons when making your purchases of the firms whose names appear in the Piano Contest advertisement in another column of today's paper.

ATTRACTIVE WINDOW DECORATIONS

Nearly all of the stores in Ocala have their windows arranged most attractively with Christmas goods, and some of them are attracting a good deal of attention.

One of the prettiest windows that we have noted is in the grocery department of the H. B. Masters store. The window contains a very pretty Christmas holly tree, and hanging all over it are red ribbons in a shower effect, and bottles and jars of beautiful preserves, jellies, mince meats, pickles, etc. The base of the window is formed of layers of various kinds of nuts and crystalized fruits and maple sugar. It is certainly a tempting display, and to Mr. Will Dunn belongs the credit of arranging this decoration.

The Teapot and O. K. Groceries also have attractive Christmas windows, as have also all of our dry goods and toy merchants. Miss Mary Affleck's window is hung with a Christmas wreath, and all of our stores, in fact, have beautiful holiday displays.

MORE PRESENTS

Our good friends are determined that the editor of this paper shall have a feast during the Christmas holidays. We have already acknowledged quite a number of gifts, including syrup, sweet potatoes, backbone and oranges, and now comes Dr. S. H. Blitch, manager of the Commercial Bank, placing us under obligations for a splendid home-cured ham. We have certainly been treated handsomely, and return to those who have so kindly remembered us our special thanks, and wish them all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The O. K. Grocery yesterday sent out to their patrons, the editor of this paper being one of the number, handsome Christmas presents. Besides a pretty calendar to each of their friends they also sent out with their best wishes exceedingly pretty colored dishes, which are very greatly appreciated by the recipients.

CARD OF THANKS

To the Ocala Banner:

I wish to acknowledge, with thanks, in behalf of the Marion County Hospital Association, two Christmas contributions as follows: Employes of the Ocala Foundry, $25; and the Methodist Sunday school, $10.14.

T. T. MUNROE, Treasurer.

WILL GIVE BIG CHRISTMAS DANCE

One of the most enjoyable of the Christmas social affairs and one that is being looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure is the Christmas dance that will be given at Yonge's hall at half past eight o'clock Friday night by the High School, and the college boys of Ocala. They have invited the older crowd to be their guests, as well as the young girls, and the evening prosimes to be an exceedingly enjoyable one.

Prof. W. W. Smith, one of Marion county's best known school teachers, was a visitor to Ocala Tuesday. Prof. Smith teaches at Reddick this year and is spending the holidays with his father, Dr. D. A. Smith, at Anthony.

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS ON ERRANDS OF CHARITY

The active workers of the King's Daughters, which is an organization of which too much cannot be said in its prise, met at the home of Mrs. Charles Rheinauer Wednesday morning to make their final preparations for making glad and happy the poor of our city. The contributions to this good cause this year were exceedingly generous, and thirty baskets and hampers were packed with good, substantial Christmas articles. Besides chicken, fruit, etc., there were dolls and other toys for the little ones, and candies, nuts, clothes and other things.

As "Santa Claus" these good women of our city are very successful, and as a result of their labor of love and the gifts from the friends of the King's Daughters the poor and needy of Ocala will not be overlooked this year and Christmas will be a welcome time for them.

All honor to these noble King's Daughters and their efforts towards alleviating the sufferings of the poor.

A CHRISTMAS WEDDING AT TAMPA

Miss Lula May Moore, the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Moore, and Mr. Franklin Louis Durand of Ocala will be married Christmas evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride, 405 East Ross avenue. The wedding is to be a quiet home affair, with only the family present. The happy couple will leave that night for Ocala, where they will reside for a short while. Miss Moore has numerous friends in this city who will greatly miss her. She is a charming and popular young lady. Mr. Durand is a prominent young professional man, very highly esteemed in Ocala, and they will be launched forth upon the matrimonial sea with the good wishes and blessings of many friends and relatives. Rev. L. W. Moore will perform the ceremony.—Tampa Times.

Miss Moore lived for several years in Ocala, and has many friends here, who will be delighted to know that she is again to make this her home.

The young bridegroom is well and popularly known here as Frank Durand, and is the younger of the two sons of Mrs. M. L. Durand.

The Banner extends its congratulations and Christmas greetings to both these young people.

MASONS TO GIVE BIG BANQUET

The Marion-Dunn lodge, No. 19, will install the newly elected officers on Monday night at their hall.

After the installation ceremonies the Masons will adjourn to the Ocala House, where their wives will meet them and an eloquent banquet will be held.

The Times-Union's front page on Monday contained a very attractive cartoon on the subject of President Roosevelt presenting to Marion county the big government forest reserve.

CARD OF THANKS

To the Ocala Banner:

The committee of the Negro Department of the Marion County Fair takes this method of thanking those of our people throughout this county for the very liberal manher in which they contributed their time, money and espeically exhibits, which made our department a marvel of beauty and excellence, the like of which has never been shown in this county before.

We take great pleasure in thanking the management of the fair for the liberality and cordiality extended us, assuring them that we shall always remember them, and when they call upon us that we shall rally to their support, and make the next Marion County Fair the greatest in the history of the state.

We also thank the ladies who so faithfully assisted us. Mrs. F. K. Powers, as president of the committee, deserves especial mention for her untiring work. Miss Pearl Anderson also deserves especial mention for the very correct manner in which she kept the records of the exhibits. Not a pin was lost. She went at it as if she had been an old commissioner in the business.

We thank the ladies and gentlemen who constituted the judges for the very impartial manner in which they rendered judgment on our exhibits, and for the large number of diplomas and premiums given us.

Last but by no means least do we thank the schools for their hearty support, for without them our glory would have been much smaller.

J. D. McDUFFY, President.
F. P. GADSON, Treasurer.
Dr. W. P. WILSON.
J. W. ALEXANDER.
GEO. GILES, Secretary.

Mr. W. H. Moore, who teaches at Fairfield, is at home to spend the holidays with his wife and little daughter.

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