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Local and Personal

Miss Winifred Tucker has gone to Dunnellon to visit her sisters for a few days.

Mr. Charles V. Miller of Jacksonville came down to attend the funeral of his friend, Col. Otis T. Green.

The reading club held a very interesting meeting Tuesday afternoon with Miss Minnie Gamsby.

Mr. George Rentz has returned to Ocala from a trip to Georgia. He is expecting his family to arrive in a very short while.

Hon. Sid L. Carter of Gainesville, formerly state attorney for this circuit, is here attending the session of the circuit court.

A great number of citizens were in from the country Tuesday for the purpose of shopping, attending court, etc. The streets had a crowded appearance, and it looked like "something was doing."

Lee Hong, our enterprising Chinese laundryman, is making his patrons gifts of Chinese lily bulbs. When in bloom they are very lovely flowers, and are a most appreciated gift.

Mr. Marion Pelot of Ocala is a new resident, who has joined his brother, Mr. John Pelot, in this city. Mr. Pelot will be an addition to the young society set.—Coat of Arms.

Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Bridges, formerly of this city, but now of Gainesville, passed through Ocala Monday afternoon on their way to Lakeland, to attend the Methodist conference.

Mrs. Dempsey Mayo returned home Saturday from Crystal River, where she has been for the past several weeks with her mother and brother, Mrs. M. D. Juhan and Mr. John Juhan. She was accompanied by her lovely little son.

Mr. H. H. Petteway of Homosassa was a Tuesday visitor. He was stopping at the Montezuma hotel, and had a room immediately over the barber shop when it caught fire. His room filled with smoke, and it looked pretty squally at one time, and felt a good deal more so, as the smoke, he says, was almost stifling.

Mrs. William S. Jennings gave a delightful reception at the Woman's Club in Jacksonville Monday night in honor of Mrs. Wm. Jennings Bryan and her daughter, Miss Grace Bryan, who were her guests for several days on their way to the east coast, where they will be joined later by Mr. Bryan. Mrs. H. L. Anderson and Miss Frances Anderson, formerly of this city, both assisted at this reception.

Dinner Party for Governor Vardaman Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Phillips gave a very elegant dinner in compliment to ex-Governor Vardaman of Mississippi. Their guests included only the young people who are visitors to Ocala to attend the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anne Mixon, and Mr. Greenwood Haley. The table was charmingly appointed for the dinner, which was beautifully served in courses. In the evening the rehearsal for the wedding took place at the church.

When you want a quick meal, drop in Hogan's Cafe, where you'll find everything in season on the bill of fare.

Mr. S. H. Gaitskill, a prominent stockman and fruit grower, is a visitor, and is serving as a petit juror.

When the "wicked rule," the Ocala Forum says that "the people mourn," but praising Mayor Robertson's administration it says that "when the righteous reign the people rejoice."

Mr. William R. Hillery of Washington, D. C., a former resident of Ocala, in renewing his subscription for another year, says: "I am careful to look through each issue of the paper and find much in its pages to interest me. Have taken particular interest in your details of the fair."

Mr. Hullum Jones, one of the most successful and up to date farmers in the county, was a Thursday visitor. He says that a flock of twenty-five wild turkeys has been making his fields their feeding ground nearly all summer.

Fire broke out in the Catholic church lot Saturday morning, and had it not been for the efforts of Father Bottolaccia and the Misses Bottolaccia the fence and perhaps some of the buildings would have been destroyed.

A safe for Mr. A. P. Stuckey is being put up stairs in the Merchants' block, where we presume Mr. Stuckey will have an office. Mr. Stuckey is president of the G. and G. railway, which we hope will soon pass through our city on its way to Tampa.

Mr. Danshy of Hawthorne was a visitor to Ocala Saturday. He was here interviewing the Ocala Iron Works. He has a large grist mill and had broken some of the parts. Mr. Danshy formerly lived at Reddick, and his Marion county friends will be glad to know that he is doing well.

Mrs. Richard McConathy left Saturday for Lakeland, where she will remain until after the meeting of the Methodist conference in that city this week. Rev. R. H. Barnett left on Tuesday for conference. Rev. T. J. Nixon will also attend and several others will probably go down during the conference.

At the beautiful home of Mrs. John D. Robertson on Oklawaha avenue, Tuesday afternoon and night, the members of the Baptist sewing circle held their annual Christmas bazaar. The members of the circle worked very faithfully during the year for the success of the bazaar, and they were well repaid for their efforts, as their sale was a most successful one. A great deal of exquisite fancy work, home-made candies and practical articles for housekeepers were attractively displayed and the sales were excellent.

Rev. R. H. Barnett left Tuesday for Lakeland, where he goes to attend the annual session of the Florida conference. He is able to carry a good report with him. The church in this city, over which he presided, had thirty-five accessions. All the assessments levied against it were paid in full. The Sunday school has flourished; the Epworth League has prospered and has shown great activity. There have been no choir or church disturbances. The congregation has been harmonious. Stewards have looked after the financial end of it with great assiduity and the church has lived up to the motto: "It is pleasant for brothers to dwell together in unity."

DEATH OF MR. OTIS T. GREEN

Mr. Otis Thatcher Green died at his residence in this city at the noon hour on Monday after a short illness.

The deceased was born in Attica, Indiana, March 2, 1863. He came to Florida in 1882 and began his life here as an orange grower, but finding this occupation uncongenial he entered the law office of Mr. Robert L. Anderson in 1884, and in 1886 he was admitted to the bar, but before entering upon active practice he took a special course in the law school of the University of Virginia. Returning here he entered into active practice, and at once commanded a leading position. There was something in his presence—a magnetism of manner—that attracted men toward him. This was shown in the fact that as soon as he was admitted to the bar he was made attorney for the city, and in 1892 was placed at the head of the city government. He never lost his popularity but as he grew older his law practice became so cumulative that it required all of his attention, and although enjoying the excitement of politics and the honors of office, he was compelled to forego those pleasures.

In 1887 Mr. Green was married to Miss Emily Badger, eldest daughter of Col. and Mrs. Edward Badger, one of the most prominent families of our city.

He is survived by Mrs. Green and two sons, Edward Badger Green and Otis Thatcher Green. The former is a student at the University of Florida and will soon graduate.

Mr. Green was a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the members of those orders will attend the funeral in a body.

The funeral will be conducted from the residence on Oklawaha avenue this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Rev. Campbell Gray of Grace Episcopal church officiating at the obsequies. The members of the Ocala bar will serve as pall bearers.

The traits in human character that excite most admiration are love, loyalty and devotion. Otis Green possessed these ennobling attributes in a stronger degree than anyone we have ever known. There were no lengths that he would not go to serve a friend. Measuring our words after years of association with him we can say that when he was a friend he was a friend indeed.

With a trembling hand and a tearful eye we say conscientiously that Otis Green was as loyal in his friendships as that which makes the story of Damon and Pythias immortal.

No men who have lived a life of loyalty and devotion has lived in vain, nor will he die in vain. We shall put on the habiliments of mourning and say that Otis Green is dead, but his deeds will live after him, and the world will be better and brighter for his pilgrimage through it.

"There is no death! What seems so is transition; This life of mortal breath Is but a suburb of the life elysian, Whose portal we call death!"

The funeral of the late Col. Otis Thatcher Green was held from the family residence on Oklawaha avenue at half past three o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The beautiful burial service of the Episcopal church was very impressively read by the rector, Rev. Campbell Gray, and the service was concluded at the grave with a short prayer by the rector.

All of the stores of the city were closed during the funeral hour as a mark of respect to the deceased, and the funeral was very largely attended.

The Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the lawyers attended the funeral in a body and each of these lodges and organizations sent very beautiful floral pieces. The flowers were profuse and magnificent, and showed to some extent the esteem in which Mr. Green was held by his friends.

Messrs. R. L. Anderson, W. K. Zewadski, L. W. Duval, William Hocker, Joseph Bell and H. M. Hampton acted as pall bearers, and after the short service the body was carried to the Greenwood cemetery, where the interment took place. The grave was entirely hidden from view with the lovely flowers sent by the sorrowing friends and relatives of the bereaved family.

Peace to his ashes.

Mr. E. O. Cordrey was in town last week with another load of very fine oranges. He has a very beautiful nursery, guarantees the stock to be free from insects and is selling at a most reasonable price. See his advertisement in the Weekly Banner.

THE CIRCUIT COURT

The winter term of the circuit court convened Monday morning at ten o'clock.

Following are the names of the grand and petit juries:

Grand Jury

William DeHon, Oliver Fort, Henry Scraggy, J. A. Flewellen, W. G. Norsworthy, J. W. Atkinson, Alonzo Long, J. L. Smoak, R. F. Long, William Tucker, G. W. Mills, T. B. Snyder, H. C. Jones, W. M. Shockley, A. A. Winer, E. C. Sims, W. R. Fore, J. W. Hopkins.

Petit Jury

F. E. Wetherbee, S. H. Gaitskill, Peter Loose, Isaac Stevens, J. M. Douglass, C. Swearingen, L. J. Knight, R. H. Redding, E. P. Townsend, H. H. Scarborough, J. W. Gates, A. B. Fort, H. H. Whetstone, Joe Shuford.

The court delivered an impressive and somewhat lengthy charge to the grand jury and if that body fails in the discharge of its duties and responsibilities it will not be because the same were not pointed out to them by Judge Bullock.

Mr. Thomas B. Snyder was elected foreman of the grand jury, and Mr. Wm. DeHon secretary.

MR. SANDFORD BIRDSEY WEDS MISS ROSALIND DAVIS

Mrs. Buford McDonald Davis announces the marriage of her daughter, Rosalind, and Mr. John Sandford Birdsey, the ceremony having taken place at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 10th at Fair Oaks, the home of the bride's mother, in Vineville.

Rev. Mr. John Bunting, rector of Christ Episcopal church, was the officiating minister, and the service was witnessed only by the members of the immediate families.

The bride is one of the most popular young women in Macon society, and is unusually gifted along literary lines. Mr. Birdsey is prominent in business and social circles of Macon, and he and his bride will be charming acquisitions to the young married set.—Sunday's Atlanta Journal.

The above announcement will come as a surprise to the groom's many friends in this city. Mr. Birdsey is a former popular resident of Ocala, being the third son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Birdsey, whose home is now in Macon, having moved there some years ago from this city.

The Ocala friends and acquaintances of Mr. Sandford Birdsey will be very pleasantly interested in the news of his wedding.

Mrs. Helvenston Entertains the Card Club

The members of the Young Ladies' Card Club, and a number of other friends of Mrs. E. T. Helvenston were very pleasantly entertained by her on Saturday afternoon.

At this meeting of the club the guests again played bridge, there being five tables of players, and the games were very much enjoyed. Mrs. Charles H. Lloyd made the highest score and received a deck of cards as a prize.

After the games, fruit salad, crackers, olives and chocolate was enjoyed by the guests.

The afternoon with Mrs. Helvenston was a very enjoyable one and assisting her was Mrs. S. T. Sistrunk. Playing with the club members were Misses Clara and Ophelia Gray, Bessie MacKay, Betty Wray Melver, Annie Atkinson and Eugenia Fuller.

Meeting of the Bridge Club

From Friday's Daily:

Mrs. Theodore T. Munroe entertained the bridge club very pleasantly yesterday afternoon. The game of bridge at the two tables was greatly enjoyed, the players making excellent scores. Mrs. H. S. Chambers made the highest score at one table, and at the other Miss Abbie Munroe made the highest score. Playing with the club at this meeting were Miss Louise Gamsby and Miss Evans of Montreal. After the games delightful refreshments were served. The meeting was concluded earlier than usual on account of Mrs. Weathers' tea.

Hunters Return

Messrs. G. S. Scott, H. B. Clarkson, S. P. Anthony and Judge D. S. Williams returned home Saturday from their hunting trip near Eureka. They had been on the hunt for the past week and were very successful, and had a pleasant time.

Men's Serge Suits

In Blue and Black
CUT PRICE SALE NOW ON
—AT—

J. Klein's Store

The Pioneer Bank

Having been in the business since Jan. 17th, 1897, being the oldest and largest bank in the county, incorporated and carrying nearly Half Million Dollars Assets, we are well prepared to be of service to newcomers.

THE MUNROE & CHAMBLISS BANK

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FLORIDA

DEATH OF CAPTAIN W. L. DITTO

Though anticipated, the news of the death of Captain W. L. Ditto will cause a pang of sorrow to every reader of this paper.

The end came early Saturday morning. The family and friends were cheered by the hope that he would live for several days, and perhaps recover, but the sands in the hour glass had fully run out, and he simply fell asleep.

Had the deceased lived until the 29th of next January he would have been eighty-four years old. Until a few months ago he was blessed with splendid health and for his age possessed more vigor, virility and elasticity than any one we have ever known.

Captain Ditto was born and educated in Kentucky, and moved to Louisiana soon after reaching his majority, and began planting on a large scale, and was quite successful.

Being a man of stately and splendid character he at once became popular where he resided, and was three times elected a member of the Louisiana legislature. That was at a time, too, when party lines were tightly drawn in the south between whigs and democrats.

At the beginning of hostilities between the sections Captain Ditto joined a Louisiana company and was elected its captain, and did faithful service throughout the struggle.

Returning home he was again elected a member of the Louisiana legislature, and it was largely through his influence that the Louisiana lottery bill was killed.

Early in life Captain Ditto allied himself with the forces of morality and righteousness, joined the Methodist church, and until the hour of his death was faithful to his baptismal vows. No stress of weather could keep him from his accustomed seat, and he took an active part in all forms of church work. No epitaph would please him better than to know that he had left a record behind him that would justify his friends in saying that he was a "true and faithful servant of God."

When the Confederate camp was organized in this city he was elected its first commander, and his interest in it never flagged, and until his removal from Ocala a few months ago he attended its meetings punctually, and when he died was its chaplain.

Captain Ditto rounded out a full ripe age and the record that he leaves is a rich legacy for those who follow after him. Just, faithful, dignified and resplendent, he had no quarrels nor contentions, and putting on the full armor of peace he kept the faith, and having earned an eternal inheritance he patiently waited the summons: "Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

U. S. CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

A competitive examination under the rules of the civil service commission, for the position of fireman-laborer in the custodian service, Ocala, Fla., will be held on December 29th, 1909.

Applications for this examination must be made on the prescribed form, which, with necessary instructions, may be obtained from the commission's local representative, Mr. B. F. Borden, at the Ocala, Fla., postoffice, or from the undersigned.

Applications will not be accepted unless received by the undersigned before 4:30 o'clock p. m. on December 29, 1909.

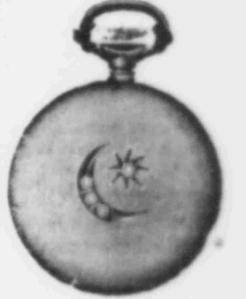
All persons wishing to take this examination should secure blanks and fill them out at once in order to allow time for any necessary corrections.

GEORGE S. DONNELL,
Secretary Civil Service Board,
Atlanta, Ga.

In the Hands of a Receiver

A notice was tacked on the door of the J. B. Martin hardware store yesterday announcing that Emmett E. Robinson had been appointed receiver for it. This has been done to wind up its affairs. Justice Lyles is still with the concern.

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OUR CITY ELECTION

Tuesday's election for municipal officers was the most quiet that perhaps was ever witnessed in this city, but while quiet there was a great deal of subdued interest, and a large vote was polled.

The vote for mayor was as follows:
For Robertson
First ward, 57; second ward, 35; third ward, 69; fourth ward, 54. Total, 215.

For Moffett
First ward, 29; second ward, 31; third ward, 39; fourth ward, 22. Total, 161.

The vote for alderman at large was as follows:
For W. P. Edwards
First ward, 25; second ward, 69; third ward, 16; fourth ward, 12. Total, 122.

For M. J. Ross
First ward, 29; second ward, 32; third ward, 5; fourth ward, 24. Total, 96.

Mr. L. J. Knight defeated Mr. Baker Carn in the first ward.
In the second, third and fourth wards Messrs. John Taylor, E. T. Helvenston and H. C. Jones had no opposition.

The result of the election is a very handsome compliment to Mr. John D. Robertson, and is a vindication of his administration.

The citrus exchange and the southern commercial congress both found their knockers, and both are growing. Once more we are practically reminded that abuse is the best advertisement with which new's headlines efforts can come in contact.—Pensacola Journal.

It is a poor rule that will not work both ways. The newspapers that the manager of the exchange would not let his way to knock ought to grow some, too. Indeed, to a man up a tree, it looks like he did all the "knocking" that was done.

Capt. R. H. Pyles spent several days last week at St. Petersburg, where he has large business interests. Capt. Pyles was much impressed with the improvements at St. Petersburg, and is very optimistic regarding that section.

Mrs. Waldo arrived in the city Monday afternoon and is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Harless. Mrs. Waldo has quite a number of friends in Ocala among the "old timers," who will be very glad to see her again.

One of our pretty telephone girls is going to have the happiest of happy Christmases—she is going to be married on Christmas day. This paper extends its best good wishes with its Christmas greetings.

YARD WIDE

Sea Island Homespun

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CUT PRICE SALE NOW ON
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