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Dr. Hiram W. Thomas of Chicago, one of the most prominent ministers and platform lecturers in the United States, died at DeFuniak Springs last week of old age.

The anti "Loan Shark" law enacted by the last Legislature has put the building and loan associations out of business, but the "three ball" fellows continue to do business at the same old stands.

Now comes the announcement that Claude L. Engle has abandoned the idea of an automobile canvass for the United States Senate and will try his luck in a buggy.—Plant City Courier. Slowing down already, eh?

Owing to the embarrassed condition of the State's finances Governor Brown has been compelled to levy the maximum tax rate of five mills in Georgia. This is two and one-half mills less than the State tax in Florida, however.

Editor Appleyard in the current issue of his Lake City Index says: "The Index believes firmly that a convention of the Democratic party of Florida will be called next year for the purpose of framing a platform. This does not affect the primary law at all. It simply tells us where we are at and prevents scrapping in the family. No one can reasonably object to this."

The railroad officials should cause to be posted in the smoking car of each passenger coach notice of the fact that it is against the law to drink intoxicating liquors in the coaches or upon the platforms of their trains in this State. The law is daily violated by persons ignorant of its existence, and they should be put on notice and the law enforced.

The editor of The Sun is pleased to note the increasing popularity of the University of Florida since the election of Dr. Murphree as president of the institution. We have come in contact with large numbers of prominent men from all over the State during the past few weeks, and every one of them has had a good word to say for the University, predicting a great future for it from now on.

If prohibition proves a failure under the new Alabama law the prohibs might just as well throw up their hands. If you have liquor on your person or in your place of business it is prima facie evidence that you have it for sale, and you have to prove that you are not guilty instead of the State proving your guilt. If the law is strictly enforced there is little doubt that accommodations will have to be greatly increased at the county jails.

The Mayo Free Press says The Sun erred in stating that the first bale of Sea Island cotton of this year's growth was received in Savannah on August 7th and was grown in Suwannee county. According to The Free Press the cotton was grown in LaFayette county by Messrs. Dempsey and Moses and was ginned at New Troy by Weatherbee & Serance. The Sun gained its information from a telegram in another paper.

FOREST CONDITIONS IN FLORIDA.

A preliminary investigation of the forest conditions of Florida was made during the past winter by the United States Forest Service in cooperation with the State. The report is now completed and has been submitted to the Governor for his consideration. It is hoped that the Legislature may be able to incorporate at least some of the recommendations into law in the near future.

Florida occupies a prominent position among the timber and turpentine-producing States of the country. It has, at present, a greater per cent of its land in forest than any other State. Some of the finest stands of longleaf pine in the South are contained within its borders. The development of the forest industries during the past few years has been phenomenal. While the agricultural development in certain parts of the State will make permanent use of immense areas of cut-over land, the bulk of lands now being cut over will not be needed for agricultural purposes for many years to come. In the meantime the timber-producing possibilities of such lands are being destroyed by repeated fires, turpentineing, and reckless lumbering. The opportunity to organize and adopt plans of forest management should not be delayed until the forest lands have all been cut over.

Many States have temporarily developed at the expense of the forest interests and have realized too late the disastrous effects of wasting their forest resources.

The report of the Forest Service examiner in Florida lays particular stress on the importance of a strong forest policy for the State. It recommends that there should be a Commission of Forestry to have general supervision of the forestry interests of the State and to appoint a State Forester. It should be the duty of the State Forester, under the direction of the Commission, to advise private owners in reference to forest management, to bring to public attention the damage done by forest fires, to formulate and put into execution a fire-warden system to protect the forests from fires, to encourage more conservative systems of lumbering and turpentineing, to investigate tax and grazing problems, and in general promote a healthy interest in forest preservation in the State.

The forest fire problem in Florida, as in other Southern States, was found to be a most serious hindrance to the perpetuation of the forests. The practice of burning over the ground annually destroys all possibility of a young growth of pine to take the place of the mature timber when it is cut. Moreover, fires injure the standing timber, especially where the trees have been boxed, and destroy the vegetable covering of the soil. It has been demonstrated that repeated fires decrease the value of the forest for grazing purposes.

In order to check the annual fire evil, the report proposes a forest fire law for Florida which shall make it unlawful and punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, for any individual or corporation to start fires on land not their own. The proposed law also makes every owner liable for damages resulting from the spread of fire from his own land to that of another. There are many other important features in the proposed law, such as the appointment of fire wardens, the use of spark arresters on locomotives and engines, and posting of fire notices.

The report furthermore recommends the establishment of State forests from tax lands and by purchase, as has already been done by many States in the country.

The forests of Florida have lasted longer than in many States, perhaps because the State has been more generously endowed with valuable growth. The need of forest preservation has not been so apparent in the past, but those who understand the present conditions in Florida and in other States should be alive to the necessity of taking some action to cut wisely what forests remain, and provide for regeneration on lands that have already been denuded. The report explains the present situation in detail and points the way for a wiser consideration in the future.

"When women go to Congress there will be less discussion of rates and more discussion of rats," says The Baltimore Sun. Also, probably, less talking for the press and more for the dress.

CARE OF THE PIGS.

The profits in pork making depend as much on the care and management of the breeding stock and of the young pigs as on breeding or feeding. To keep a boar and not get the best service from him is a very expensive way of starting in. We are confident that the most expensive way to keep a boar is to allow him to run at large with the sows. He forms bad habits, is difficult to control, and becomes much more expensive to keep than if he had been provided with a well-fenced lot and had crops grown for him to graze. The sows are less likely to get in pig, and the time of farrowing being unknown, neither the sow nor the young pigs receive the care needed to produce best results.

There is much complaint of large sows lying on their pigs, and the reason usually given is that they are too fat. This is rarely so. A sow in good flesh—what most Southern farmers think too fat—will produce more pigs, stronger pigs, and suckle them better afterwards. If suitable houses were provided, with good board floors and a feeder around the outside of the house, and only a little short material used for bedding, few pigs would be killed by their mothers.

It is frequently stated that the "razor-back" when allowed to farrow out in the woods never kills her pigs, but it is not so. We have seen more old razor-backs going around with one three or four pigs following them than we ever did pure-bred sows. The truth is that when the razor-back sow kills her litter nothing is thought of it; they are not worth much, didn't cost much, and the loss is not much, so it is soon forgotten.

THE SUN'S CORN CONTEST.

With a view to showing what is done in Alachua county in the way of producing corn, The Sun offers the following cash prizes for the best corn brought into the office before October 15th, 1909:

- Best stalk of corn, showing two or more well-developed ears, \$3.00
- Second best stalk of corn..... 1.50
- Best ear of corn..... 2.00
- Second best ear of corn..... 1.00

The corn entered must be grown in Alachua county; must be delivered at The Sun office, all charges paid, before October 15th, and be accompanied by the grower's name, address, number of acres grown, average yield per acre, variety, and a short description of the method of cultivation.

The exhibits will be placed in some public place and left on exhibit for a few days at the close of the contest.

The awards will be made by competent farmers, who have not entered any corn in the contest.

The object in offering these prizes is to stimulate our farmers to better things in the way of crops for home use and to ship.

Magistrate Crane of New York City says: "Ninety-nine out of a hundred boys between the ages of ten and seventeen years who come before me charged with crime have their fingers disfigured with yellow cigarette stains. . . . I am not a crank on this subject; I do not care to pose as a reformer, but it is my opinion that cigarettes will do more than liquor to ruin boys. When you have arraigned before you boys hopelessly deaf through the excessive use of cigarettes, boys who have stolen their sisters' earnings, boys who absolutely refuse to work, who do nothing but gamble and steal, you cannot help seeing that there is some direct cause, and a great deal of this boyhood crime is, in my mind, easy to trace to the deadly cigarette. There is something in the poison of the cigarette that seems to go into the system of the boys and to destroy all moral fibre."

The Charleston News and Courier wonders whether there are any mint juleps in Hades. Never mind, you'll find out.

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SALT-SICK CURE
"YOU KNOW IT BY THE COW"
ACKERMAN & STEWART, PALATKA, FLA.

Railroad Commissioners Will Act Regarding Depots

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Aug. 16.—The Railroad Commission has issued the following citations to the Atlantic Coast Line which will be of interest to the people of Alachua county:

In the matter of passenger depot facilities of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company at Gainesville, a station on its line in this State.

To Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company: "Whereas, by our order No. 274, heretofore made and entered in this proceeding, namely, on May 26, A. D. 1909, we directed you to make certain additions and changes to and in your said passenger depot at Gainesville aforesaid, including a canopy over the street in front of said depot, and also directed you to begin the work within thirty days after the City Council of said city should grant to you the right and privilege of erecting the said canopy, and to complete the work within two months after the said grant of privilege.

And, whereas, the City Council aforesaid has refused to grant you the said privilege, of which it has given us official notice under date of July 27, 1909, whereby it becomes necessary that our said Order No. 274 should be modified or altered.

Therefore, you are hereby notified that we shall hold a meeting at our office in the city of Tallahassee on the 26th day of August, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of considering in what matters and particulars the said Order No. 274 should be modified or altered, and what further order we shall make in the premises, when and where you shall

have a full and fair opportunity to be heard thereon.

Witness the hand of our chairman affixed in open session of our board by direction thereof at our office in the city of Tallahassee this 11th day of August, A. D. 1909.

R. HUDSON BURR,
Chairman Board of R. R. Comrs.
Attest: S. E. COBB, Secretary."

Depot at Wade.

In the matter of the erection of a freight and passenger depot at Wade, a station on the line of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company in this State.

To Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company:

"Take notice that we shall hold a meeting on August 26th, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., at our office in the city of Tallahassee, when and where we shall hear and consider whether or not we ought to require you to erect a freight and passenger depot at Wade, a station on your line of railroad in this State, and also of what character, arrangement and dimensions the same ought to be, in case we should require you to erect it. At such meeting you shall have a just and fair opportunity to be heard thereon.

Witness the hand of our chairman, affixed in open session of our board, and by direction thereof, at our office in the city of Tallahassee this 13th day of August, A. D. 1909.

R. HUDSON BURR,
Chairman Board of R. R. Comrs.
Attest: S. E. COBB, Secretary."

Wife Enters Pool Room And Takes Husband Home

ATLANTA, Aug. 17.—Pretty Mrs. Oattie Slaton, of 619 Whitehall street, after securing permission from police headquarters, walked into a crowded pool room at the corner of Forsyth and Broad streets, collared her husband, P. C. Slaton, a carpenter, and carried him home.

Then, when Slaton became unruly at his home, Mrs. Slaton called up the police, and Call Officers Wood and West rode out on their wheels, arrested Slaton and sent him to the station house. He is charged with being drunk and disorderly.

Mrs. Slaton, when she asked the

police for permission to enter the pool room, stated that her husband was there drinking and spending all of his money. When given permission, Mrs. Slaton lifted her skirts, pushed through the crowd, and, taking her husband by the arm, led him home.

Some thirty minutes later, Mrs. Slaton called the police again, this time stating that she could not control her spouse. She said he was saying things that she did not want her children to hear. The police went to the scene and arrested Slaton.

Read the want ads. in today's Sun.

Opossum Is Captured in Court House Yard in Tampa

Not since Chief of Sanitation J. N. Holmes hunted the wild boar in Hyde Park has the excitement caused by a hunt run so high in Tampa as it did Monday, when a 'possum was discovered by Col. R. F. Bettis roosting comfortably in a tree in the court house square. The word was immediately passed and the excitement grew apace. Every office on the Franklin street side of the court house suspended business and watched the efforts of some half a dozen young men in their attempts to shake the

'possum from the tree. Colonel Bettis officiated as master of ceremonies, but Sir Opossum was about to carry off the honors of the day when Arthur Schleman's lieutenant appeared upon the scene, skinned up the tree, and shook the "bird" to the ground. It was immediately corralled by Schleman, Jr., caged and carried in triumph from the field. "Oh, Lordy," ejaculated a colored citizen who had watched the operation, as the particular piece de resistance of his race disappeared in the direction of police headquarters.—Tampa Tribune.

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