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Every Style at \$2.00

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The latest patterns and fabrics.
At \$1.00 to \$3.00.

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With two pair of knickerbocker trousers
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We have 750 pairs of Shoes left from the sale. They are still on the rack and we are going to sell them while they last at the following low prices:

200 pairs of Misses' and Childrens' Shoes, Slippers, etc. 39c to \$1.19.
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250 pair of Men's and Boys' Shoes, values up to \$5.00. While they last, \$1.39 to \$3.39.

Curry's Shoe Store

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Take a look at the Mysterious Clock in our window and tell us what makes it run.

CURRY'S SHOE STORE CURRY'S SHOE STORE

The Putnam National Bank of Palatka

PALATKA, FLORIDA

Total Assets, June 10th \$700,000.00
Liabilities to Depositors 495,000.00
Assets over Liabilities to Depositors 205,000.00

According to the New York Financial Review we are the second strongest National Bank in Florida.

Our Safe Deposit Boxes, double lock system, are the best make. \$3.00 per year. We solicit your banking business. Foreign Exchange issued.

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Buyers will share in profits if we sell at retail 300,000 new Ford cars between August 1914 and August 1915.

Runabout \$440; Touring Car \$490; Town Car \$690. Coupelet \$750; Sedan \$975; fully equipped, f. o. b. Detroit.

On display and sale at THE FORD SALES COMPANY, Palatka, Walter W. Tilghman, Manager.

WHAT CHANCE WOULD YOU GET AT A DOLLAR SENT OUT OF PALATKA? BUY YOUR PRINTING IN PALATKA AND KEEP YOUR MONEY HERE. THE NEWS IS NO FARTHER AWAY THAN YOUR TELEPHONE. 195 WILL PUT US AT YOUR SERVICE.

BABY DANCER SCORES A HIT.

A Former Palatka Child Delights Horticultural Convention at Tampa.

The Tampa Morning Tribune of last Friday contained the following notice of little Clarice Newton who entertained so many audiences while a resident of this city:

"Where did that adorable child come from?" was a question that was passed from one to another in the audience yesterday morning, when the Hazle Burgess Players entertained the Horticultural Convention at the Casino. Very few seemed to know her, and those who did were among the visitors from Jacksonville and Palatka, and when she ran out in front of the footlights they gave her a hand that was taken up by the entire house.

Her name is Clarice Newton. She now claims Tampa as her home, and most certainly Tampa will claim her as one of its brightest and most talented children. She came here several weeks ago with her parents from Palatka, but yesterday was the first time she has made her coming known to any except her immediate friends. First of all, she is a beautiful, little unspoiled child with a wealth of brown curly hair, and the most graceful little arms and legs imaginable. But she is also a dancer—a regular premier danseuse among children and almost as good a mimic as many on the professional stage. Her dance yesterday was filled with the prettiest of poses, and it was closed with a low, sweeping bow that the little lady has borrowed from Pavlova.

Baby Clarice knows twenty-five different dances, and many of them have their own wardrobe. She is just passed her eighth birthday and has been dancing since she was five. During this time she has studied with many teachers, among them some of the best of New York. Her first appearance in public was in Palatka, but the spotlight and the audience held no fears for her. She said she didn't mind them a bit, that she didn't even see the people in the audience. At the Elks' Minstrels in Jacksonville a few months ago, she made a hit, and it was some of her friends she made on that occasion that were the first to recognize her yesterday.

The Week in History.

Monday, 19.—Battle of Lexington, 1775.
Tuesday, 20.—Siege of Boston begun, 1775.
Wednesday, 21.—War declared against Spain, 1898. Rome founded, 753 B. C.
Thursday, 22.—James Buchanan born, 1791. Oklahoma opened to settlers, 1889.
Friday, 23.—Shakespeare born, 1564.
Saturday, 24.—Boston News letter, 1st newspaper in America, 1704.
Sunday, 25.—Work began on Suez canal, 1859.

Palatka Library Association.

Palatka Library Association is hereby called to meet in the Library, Wednesday, April 28, at four o'clock p. m.

This is the annual meeting when officers are elected and committees are appointed to carry on the work for another year.

The chairmen of all standing committees are requested to prepare and submit their reports.

All friends and patrons of the Library are eligible to membership in the association, and are cordially invited to attend the annual meeting.

Mrs. Stewart Worden, Pres.
Mrs. Richard Adams, Sec.

Corporal Herbert Mears Injured.

The News received the following communication last Friday after the issue for that day had been printed:

Winnipeg, Man., April 12th, 1915.

The Palatka News, Palatka, Florida.

Gentlemen:

Will you please print the following news items in your next issue:

Corporal Herbert Mears of the Canadian army, transport and dispatch department, attached to the 27th Battalion, was seriously injured here on April 4th, while testing a new dispatch car.

While making a speed of over 40 miles per hour, the steering gear broke causing him to lose control of the car; and before the car could be stopped, it dashed into a fence throwing Corporal Mears some twenty yards, breaking his right arm and cutting him severely about the legs and body.

He is now in the St. Boniface hospital in this city where he is receiving careful attention.

The accident is a great disappointment to Corpora Mears, for he intended to leave shortly for the front.

He is a son of Mrs. Annie Mair who resides on Hotel street, Palatka, Florida, and a brother to Mrs. Daniel Morin of St. Petersburg, Florida.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

CORP. A. J. PENNILL,

Of the 27th Battalion, stationed at Winnipeg, Man.

Buy your fruit cake material

from us. We have on hand the

very best evaporated fruits, Cry-

stalized peels and nuts all new

crop.

L. C. STEPHENS,

626 Kirby Street.

KNIGHT-MERWIN HOME WEDDING

Solemnized at the Home of the Bride's Parents on Kirby Street.

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents on Kirby street, Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The contracting parties were Miss Della Mae Merwin, and Mr. Thos. J. Knight. Rev. W. M. Poage of St. James M. E. Church was the officiating clergyman who tied the nuptial knot pronouncing the ceremony which united the lives of these estimable young people.

The wedding was a quiet one, witnessed only by a few close relatives. Promptly at the appointed time, to the music of the wedding march played by Mrs. H. O. Hamm, the young couple took their places in front of the minister who with an impressive yet simple and exceedingly pretty ceremony made them husband and wife.

The bride was becomingly attired in a blue silk traveling suit, with accessories to match. She carried a beautiful bride's bouquet showered with lillies of the valley, and wore orange blossoms in her hair.

The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The bride is a native of Bloomington, Ill., but has spent the past few winters in this city where she has made numerous friends. She is a young lady of many graces of mind and person, who is capable of filling the home she will adorn with happiness and companionship by the husband she has chosen to honor with her hand.

The groom is a member of the firm of Knight & Dorn, real estate and insurance, and by those who know him in this city, he is considered one of the substantial and coming young men of the county.

The ceremony was followed with congratulations and merry jest and cheering conversation. Elegant refreshments were served.

The love and esteem in which this worthy couple is held was shown by the numerous and beautiful presents.

The many friends of the bride and groom wish them a long, pleasant and prosperous life.

MEMORIAL DAY TO BE OBSERVED

Services at the Howell Theater Monday.

Next Monday is Memorial Day and the Patton Anderson Chapter, U. D. C., will observe the day with appropriate exercises at the Howell theater.

The ladies of the Chapter have been fortunate in again securing a most able and eloquent speaker for the occasion, Col. Dart of Jacksonville. Mr. F. D. Wattles will be master of ceremonies.

The program is as follows: Invocation, Rev. W. M. Poage. Suwanee River, Chorus. Reading, Miss Walton. Address, Col. Dart. Tenting Tonight, Chorus.

Woman's Club Receives.

There will be a reception for the members of the Woman's club and their friends this afternoon at the Athletic Club house, beginning at 3:30 o'clock. The social department of the club has charge of this reception and there will be games, refreshments, contests, and a general social.

Miss Reed Hostess.

Miss Lulu Reed was hostess Tuesday morning for a party given in honor of her guest Miss Nelle Coogler, of Brooksville, Florida. Bridge was played and the guest prize was a box of correspondence cards, awarded Miss Coogler, cut glass tumblers were won by Mrs. G. S. Coburn, Miss Edith Kupperbusch and Miss Coogler. Refreshments consisted of fruit salad with punch.

At the Baptist Church.

Supt. Jarrett will have special plans to offer those interested in Sunday school work to create new interest in this particular phase of our work and build up the attendance. Our teachers and students are urged to be present. School opens at 9:45 and competent teachers will meet all classes. Young people are urged to attend our Baraca and Philathea classes. You will enjoy spending an hour with these interesting classes. Bring your friends.

At eleven o'clock a. m. Dr. Evans of New York will preach and you are cordially invited to hear this gifted and earnest servant of God.

In the evening the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs will meet at the lodge rooms and march to the church in a body and will worship with us. All members of these organizations are urged to attend this service. Tell your fellow members and invite them to come to this special service with you. The pastor will preach a special sermon for this occasion from I Sam. 18:3.

We shall be glad to welcome you to any and all our services regularly. All strangers in the city are invited to worship with us.

P. QUINTIUS CASON, Pastor.

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRADE.

A great revival of interest was shown in the last regular meeting of the board of trade Monday night, April 19th. The board rooms were filled and the interest in the discussions was such as to presage greater unity and co-operative effort at future gatherings.

The meeting was called to order by President Ed. M. Eearnest. After Secretary Elliott had read the minutes of the last meeting he made a report covering his past week's work and promised a weekly report in the future giving a synopsis of efforts made and accomplishments of the board of trade.

R. R. Brakeman offered a resolution urging co-operative efforts of this board with like organizations over the state to urge the passage of a bill to come before the present Legislative bodies in session at Tallahassee authorizing the creation of a State Road Commission—so that this state may receive aid from the Federal Government in its good roads movement.

The secretary was instructed to take the matter up with other associations all over the state and work jointly with them for such a creation and the passage of the bill.

Invitation from the Georgia & Florida Pecan Growers Association to attend their meeting in Quincy on May 26-27 was read by the secretary and also one from the Commercial Secretaries Association to be held in Montgomery, Ala., May 19-22.

R. M. Burt, Mayor of Hastings and the premier booster of that progressive little city was introduced by President Eearnest and told how St. Johns County initiated the move and carried the bond issue of \$500,000 to build sixty miles of brick highway. He stated that it was of paramount importance to Palatka and Putnam county to connect with this highway with a permanent road which would require approximately eight miles.

He stated further that another prospect and one that would prove a boon to this section was the building of a permanent highway from Gainesville to Palatka, and in all probability that county would gladly meet any effort made by Putnam county.

Mr. Burt also gave a general invitation to all present to attend the celebration of laying the last brick in Hastings section of the Miami-Montreal Highway to be held Friday, April 23, and stated that they were expecting as many as two thousand people from Jacksonville and a special train from St. Augustine.

Many of those present were enthused with the Palatka-Gainesville highway with an Ocala connection and then a general discussion participated in by most every one present began—which narrowed down to a concrete bridge over St. Johns river and the Palatka-Hastings connection as the most pressing and immediate need.

H. M. de Montmolin told the board what a committee of three had accomplished in the bridge matter, and on motion of D. W. Ramsaur, duly seconded and carried, the President was authorized to appoint four other members on that committee to assist in formulating a report to bring before the next meeting relative to all matters in the kind and cost of bridge and road material. The old members of this committee are H. M. de Montmolin, J. H. Millican, T. J. Barnett and the four appointed by the president from suggestions were Chas. Burt, Dr. F. E. Jenkins, Walter Tilghman and Secretary Elliott, the latter four to assist the original committee.

Hon. Henry Hutchinson reported to the board a proposition by the citizens of Bostwick to make a special district and bond themselves for \$25,000 so as to build a permanent road from Bostwick to the Clay county line, and suggested that such a spirit of enterprise should be heartily congratulated and every effort to assist be made in their behalf.

It was also moved, seconded and carried by unanimous consent, that the board purchase a pass over the bridge for use by the secretary on his boosting expeditions.

Among the members showing splendid interest and giving instructive talks, special mention should be made of Dr. Frederick E. Jenkins, D. W. Ramsaur, Harold Merryday, J. S. Stallings, Henry Hutchinson, Frank Wattles, H. M. de Montmolin and others.

Partial Report of Secretary Elliott. Since assuming office on Monday last, I have given much time in becoming familiar with the local conditions and the office in general and suggest the purchase of a letter file so that all correspondence can be properly filed for future reference.

I have had nineteen inquiries from the different states as follows: New York, 3; New Jersey, 3; Nebraska, 2; Washington, 2; Illinois, 2; Texas, 1; Nevada, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; and four others from the Industrial & Immigration Agent of the Georgia Southern & Florida Ry Co., Mr. H. R. Bucky.

In account of the summer season advancing there has not been many tourists calling at the board of trade rooms, and since this is the case, I have arranged to visit and become familiar with each and every section of the county in the interval.

During the past week I have visited the south's greatest winter-grown potato section, taking some influential visitors to our city with me; among them were Hon. Lemuel B. Green, editor The Argus, of Patchogue, N. Y., and likewise one of Long Island's leading boosters, who waws so pleased

MRS. DEVEREUX DIES SUDDENLY

Death Due to Heart Failure. Passed Away Before Physician Arrived.

Mrs. Mary Hickman Devereux, born at Orange Lake, Marion county, Fla., May 4th, 1851; died at Palatka, Fla., April 19th, 1915. Married in Palatka at St. Marks church, February 8th, 1872.

The citizens of Palatka were greatly shocked last Monday morning when the sudden death of Mrs. M. H. Devereux was made known.

Mrs. Devereux attended service at St. Marks church Sunday night and was apparently in good health. Shortly after midnight she telephoned Dr. A. M. Steen that she was not feeling well and requested him to call and see her. Upon arriving at the home on S. 4th street, Dr. Steen found that Mrs. Devereux was beyond human aid.

Her son Albion, of Jacksonville, and daughter, Mrs. E. P. Chamberlain of Cuthbert, Ga., were immediately notified and arrived in the city Monday. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Devereux has lived in Palatka since early childhood and had a host of friends who are greatly grieved, and the sympathy of the whole community is with the sorrowing relatives.

NEW ORGANIZATION ELECTS OFFICERS

Putnam County Chamber of Commerce Perfects Organization.

The new organization known as the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce met in the court house last Friday night to effect a permanent organization and adopt a constitution and by-laws.

Temporary vice-president, B. E. Jarrett called the meeting to order and before the election of permanent officers it was suggested that a committee be appointed to confer with a committee of the Palatka board of trade with a view to merging the two bodies as their work is to be on similar lines. This did not meet the approval of the majority, so the election was proceeded with.

B. E. Jarrett was unanimously elected president, and the other officers were as follows:

F. J. H. von Engelken, 1st vice-president; Maurice Cochrane, 2nd vice-president; C. H. Kennerly, secretary; E. P. Ross, treasurer.

The committee on constitution and by-laws then made its report, which was adopted with a few changes.

W. A. Walton, T. R. Higgins, Dr. H. A. Johnson, Noah Tilghman Jr., and A. A. Corcoran were the governors elected from Palatka.

A committee was appointed to look into the matter of a county fair for next fall.

The organization will meet the first and third Wednesday in each month.

The pool at the Saratoga opens next Tuesday. Baths, 10c; suits, 10c; separate rooms, 5c; 2 towels, 5c. 12 tickets for \$1.00. Special rates for season tickets. Hours 9 to 12 a. m. 2 to 5, 6:30 to 9 p. m.

Adv.

that he prophesies a glorious future for Putnam county and promises to spend the entire coming winter in Palatka.

During the past week I have had several suggestions made me regarding subject matter that several individuals and sections seem anxious to be handled by the board of trade, much of which has been stated previously and will not be new; among them are a concrete bridge and a permanent road to Hastings to connect with the Miami-Montreal Highway.

Other subjects which have likewise been mentioned to me and of which a majority of you are familiar are a county fair, school buildings, farm demonstration agents, regular meeting of the board of trade at least twice a month, also weekly excursions from other points to Palatka. This is a feature that seems to be a great help to other cities enjoying such a privilege.

I wish also to compliment the board of trade on its rooms and location, which need but little arrangement to easily be accessed to none in the state in accessibility, convenience of arrangement and instructive ability.

I will also state that I am here not only as your secretary of the board of trade, but as a citizen, a tax payer and one among the good people of Palatka who call it HOME—and whatever effects the interest of Palatka and Putnam county, will likewise be of interest to me, regardless of my affiliations as secretary, and I wish to thank the good people of Palatka for their kind welcome to the Gem City. The press, the business men, and private citizens have all shown a kindness that I shall not soon forget and if all new comers among you were treated with the same consideration the population of Palatka would soon equal the largest cities of the hospitable southland.