

CITY HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Willie Metcalf has been spending the week in Jacksonville visiting friends.

Dr. Sikes the dentist has moved into the residence at the corner of Second and Main streets.

H. Finley Tucker and his uncle, W. L. Sparring, of Jacksonville were in the city yesterday.

G. L. Knight of Florahome was a business visitor in the city for a brief time yesterday.

Beautifully lettered gold signs have been written on the windows of the State Bank of Palatka this week by a New York artist.

Col. Jas. R. Murphy returned Wednesday evening from a few days hunting and fishing trip up the Ocklawaha.

The Palatka public schools will close on Friday the 17th inst. for the Christmas holidays and will not reopen until the first Monday in January.

J. A. Huggins for the past several weeks manager of the Hart Furniture Co., has resigned and yesterday left for Atlanta to accept a position with the A. G. Rhodes Co.

Raymond Bletzaeker recently finished a trip from Detroit to Tampa in a new Maxwell touring car. Though much of the road was of the roughest sort, including mud and mountain climbing, the car made the trip at an expense of less than a cent a mile, averaging 22.5 miles to the gallon of gasoline and over 700 miles to the gallon of oil—Ocala Star.

Through a friend of the poor the Palatka Associated Charities have been enabled to promise a Christmas tree at the board of trade rooms for Christmas day at 10 a. m. The tree will be given for the benefit of little children who would otherwise be deprived of such privileges. All who are willing to donate toys, dolls, candy or fruit are requested to send to the Associated Charities on or before December 20th.

"Life is but one doddered bump on top of another bump, y'understand, — a series of bumps, y'understand," remarked our local Abe Potash as he read the advertisement of the Sheriff's sale of his junk accumulation in his evening rival the other day. It is the irony of fate though, this last bump; for it would seem that the sheriff in the goodness of his heart might have given Abe a chance at the profits over the sale of his own fixtures.

The Christmas spirit is abroad in Lemon street; you may see it in the groups of children that linger in front of Rowton's inspecting the toys; in front of the Fearnside Clothing Co.'s inspecting the beautifully trimmed windows; same at Brown's pretty window where there is a great variety of suitable gifts under display; at Smith's and at Fry's and all along the street. The Christmas spirit is in the air and people are out inspecting and preparing their surprises for the great day. Not so much money as in some past years, but there will be enough for happiness.

Miss Julia McIver spent the week end with friends in St. Augustine.

E. E. Weeks of Florahome was among the visitors from that section doing business in the city on Monday.

Thos. J. Iles fruit grower of Crescent City was in the city Wednesday enroute to Jacksonville.

Dr. G. L. Sipprell of Florahome and well-known to the people throughout the county, was a visitor in the city on Tuesday.

Miss Anne Beggs, who has been Miss Ellene Merryday's house guest, has returned to her home in Madison, Fla.

Mrs. V. C. Thomas and Miss Nellie Ray were called to Forestville, Wisconsin, Monday by the serious illness of a sister.

The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church will be entertained by Mrs. C. E. Rowton, next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Kathleen Hilburn is expected home next Thursday, from Fairmount college, Monteville, Tennessee, for the Christmas holidays, and to remain until the re-opening of the school in the spring.

Mrs. S. G. Coburn was hostess for the Monday Evening Club. Dainty refreshments were served and the members donated their prize money to the fund for the Jacksonville Children's Home.

Mrs. Alice Cochrane returns Saturday from Jacksonville where she has been the past week on business and will be with her mother, Mrs. Lillian S. Knight, where she expects to make her future home.

R. L. Arant came down from his Georgia home the other day and spent a little time with old Palatka friends. "Bob" Arant is still big in body and in heart and his smile if anything is even more pronounced than ever. He looks prosperous.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Grable of Minneapolis, are guests of Mrs. Grable's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kupperbusch, senior. Mr. Grable will return home in a week or two, while Mrs. Grable will remain for five weeks.

H. L. Goodson, a young man of Putnam Hall, was a visitor in the city this week with business at the court house. Mr. Goodson seemed to enjoy his stay here and departed in a happy mood with the promise to come again when he will have more time for social enjoyment.

Miss Irena Lewis of Yates Center, Kansas, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Jane Holcomb on Kirby street. Miss Lewis is a talented vocalist and expects to spend the winter months in Palatka, and she will be an acquisition to the musical organizations of the city.

Fire at a late hour on Monday night entirely destroyed the pavilion and bath houses at Bohemia Park, outside the city. A dance had been given at the Park that night but all had gone home when the fire broke out. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Everything was destroyed including the contents of the building. Bohemia Park is the property of Dr. Geo. S. Davis, who has been popularizing the place for social uses. The loss falls heavily upon him. There was insurance to the amount of \$1200.

Another party of young people who motored over to St. Augustine Monday, were George Selden, Fred Cochran, Miss Helen Cochran, Miss Lambert, Miss Mamie Goethe, and James Wilkinson.

Miss M. G. Probst, who has been visiting at the "Palms" with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Probst, will return to her home in Englewood, New Jersey, Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Probst will accompany her as far as Jacksonville, spending the week-end with friends in that city.

Several persons availed themselves of the opening of the famous Alcazar hotel in St. Augustine, Monday, by motoring over with friends. In one party were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Smith, E. P. Ross, Miss Edith Kupperbusch, Hubbard Winnegar and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Grable, of Minneapolis.

The choir of the Presbyterian church is planning a song service to be given in the church, Sunday evening December 19th. Mrs. Edw. L. Mann, leader, Mrs. Robert O'Haver, organist, assisted by Miss Louise Boyd, violinist and the regular choir will render music appropriate to Christmas tide.

Mrs. Fred Merrill entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club, having one extra table. The prizes were awarded to Miss Grizzella Merrill, Mrs. Alston Haile and Mrs. H. M. Fearnside. The refreshments were scalloped oysters, potatoes, salad and olives arranged attractively on plates, hot rolls and coffee.

Miss Kathleen Hilburn, one of Palatka's fairest daughters, has been chosen to take the role of Venus, "goddess of love and beauty," in a play which is given this week at Fairmount college, Monteville, Tenn., as a closing to the semester's work. There is no doubt as to the fitness of this selection of Miss Hilburn.

C. H. Worcester whose beautiful country home on the main road between Pomona and Lake Como is daily noted and praised by auto tourists and is one of the most picturesque rural homes in all Florida, was a business visitor in the city on Tuesday, motoring over with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Middleton.

Miss Frances Yelverton, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Yelverton, Jr. delightfully entertained a large party of her little friends last Monday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock. Miss Cora Griffin assisted Mrs. Yelverton in entertaining the large party. A beautifully decorated table was covered with dainty refreshments and after all were served games were enjoyed. Pretty souvenirs of the occasion were distributed in a "Jack Horner" pie. The children all had a most happy time. Some 35 little people enjoyed the party.

Mose Sauciere is up against it. At his second trial for larceny on Tuesday the jury disagreed, and Mose left the court house with a blot on his escutcheon. He may never know whether he is guilty or innocent—that is to say he may never be officially guilty or innocent. Too bad for Mose. More than likely the great State of Florida, failing to convict, will drop the suit. But to drop it now leaves a stain. Had he been acquitted Mose could have come back at the prosecuting witness with a suit for damages to his character. As it is he has to wear the damage.

Dr. Fletcher L. Brown, of whose coming to Palatka the News has made mention, has fitted up offices in the Merryday building over the Browning-Fearnside Co. and is now to be found there during office hours. Dr. Brown was granted a license to practice medicine in Florida by the State Board of Medical Examiners in 1909, but since that time he has been practicing in North Carolina. He is a young man of fine personal presence and one who will readily make friends. With Mrs. Brown they have a home in the recently erected apartment house in Mulholland Park.

Presbyterian Church. Divine service will be conducted in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7:30, by the pastor, Rev. C. M. Alford, D. D. Morning subject, "Reproducing Christ's Life." Evening subject, "The Universal Magnet." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:30. All are invited to attend these meetings.

Mrs. Kupperbusch Entertains. Mrs. Charles Kupperbusch Jr., planned a five course dinner party last Saturday evening as a surprise for her husband, the occasion being his birthday. The guests were the officials of the Florida Woodenware Company of which Mr. Kupperbusch is general manager.

Those present were, Mayor W. P. Merriam, F. H. Wilson and Charles G. Grimm. All made the evening to pass most agreeably and as a token of the esteem in which they hold Mr. Kupperbusch, the gentlemen presented him with a sterling silver cigarette case.

Capt. Allen McIntyre. Capt. Allen McIntyre of Chicago arrived in Palatka on Wednesday and as has been his custom for many years will divide his time during the winter between Palatka and Interlachen. While in Palatka Capt. McIntyre stops at the Kupperbusch Hotel. He was until the infirmities of age and a fat pocket-book made it no longer necessary, the captain of one of the largest passenger steamers plying on the great lakes, and his run was from Chicago to Duluth. Capt. McIntyre is one of the best known among the old-time great lakes captains, and his popularity, gained while in command of great steamboats, has been sufficient to keep his personality green through all the years following his retirement. Capt. Allen McIntyre of Chicago whose word of command in many a storm has reached out over the ship and spread confidence among terrified passengers! He was great in the days of his prime and power, and he is great and kind and manly in these days of feebleness and the infirmities of age.

What Shall I Give? Thirteen Shopping Days Before Christmas and the question is still unsolved and worrying many. All that is needed though, is decision, so let us decide for you; at least we may offer suggestions if the gift is for Man or Boy. We have many things in Furnishings that will be appreciated. FRIENDSHIP TIES, COMBINATION SETS, A HOUSE COAT OR BATHROBE, M. S. BROWN, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery.

Smith's Xmas Candies. What would Christmas be without Candy and good things to eat? Then what would be more appreciated as a Christmas remembrance by Mother, Sister, or Sweet-Heart, than a box of Candy? We have Huylers Nunnallys Park & Telford and the ever popular SMITH'S our own make—better than most and as good as the best. Fancy Christmas Boxes, Fancy Mixed Candies, Special prices to Sunday School Christmas Trees. CIGARS, PIPES and TOBACCOS. A Pipe, a box of Cigars, or a humidor of Tobacco will make an ideal gift for the man who smokes. We have a splendid selection. Come in for a Cup of Hot Chocolate or Bouillon when down town.

There's a quaint and pretty Indian superstition that those who are photographed lose something of their personality—that this personality becomes a part of the picture. Be this superstition or be it sentiment, the idea bears both truth and charm. For a picture means something—personal—gives the homely touch of Friendship, especially at Christmas time. Neck's Photo Studio The Photographer in Your Town PUTNAM NATIONAL BANK PHONE 5

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High School Commuters' Tickets. Bully for the Florida East Coast Railway. Its managers are due ours and your thanks. By order of the General Passenger Agent, Capt. J. D. Rahner, East Palatka children who want to attend the Palatka High School may now buy commutation tickets from East Palatka to Palatka and return at the rate of 20 tickets for \$1.00, good for 30 days from date of purchase. This will enable the children over at East Palatka to attend the high school here, at 5 cents a ride each way. F. D. Wattle, president of the county school board, secured this concession by correspondence. It was easy, for the railway officials seemed to want to do the kids a favor. New Crop Cereals, Buckwheat, plain and prepared; whole wheat flour, yellow meal; graham flour, rolled oats in bulk and in all style packages, cream farina and other cereals fresh at all times. Quality and Quantity our Motto. L. C. STEPHENS, 628 Kirby Street

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