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Tallahassee, Friday, May 21, 1909.

What is the latest over the Tallahassee wireless?  
Thirty-five thousand people in Pittsburgh have had an increase in salary this week.  
We hope those Palm Beachers will change the name of their county to Flagler.  
Most editors in the State would be willing for the Legislature to pass an income tax law.  
President Taft visited Charlotte, N. C., yesterday to attend the Meclenburg celebration.  
We are afraid that Tallahassee will lapse into innocuous desuetude when the legislators leave us.  
There is a lot of difference in this session of the legislature between tweedle dum and tweedle dee.  
The Legislature has passed several hundred bills, and less than a half dozen of them are of public interest.  
Where is the man who will locate and operate a plant here for canning, drying and preserving our great fig crop?  
The majority of the Democrats voted for a tariff on iron ore. What are Mr. Clark's detractors going to say about this?  
The wedding of a Philadelphia heiress and her chauffeur furnishes another indication of the passing of the family coachman from romance.  
It was demonstrated recently that the big battleship Mississippi can accommodate five thousand visitors at one time and not be overcrowded.  
The sweet girl graduate will make her formal debut in Tallahassee next week. All honor and glory to these lovely girls who are soon to become fair matrons of Florida.  
Brother Appleyard claims that his home paper, The Lake City Index, is being boycotted by the prohibitionists, but that he doesn't care. If so, why did he say anything about it.  
Judging from the opinion of the present general assembly, the newspapers are worth but little to Florida, since its members seem to be willing to throw death dealing restrictions around them.  
Senator Sloan has been one of the brainiest men in the upper house, and has introduced some of the best measures. His bill making it a misdemeanor to point a firearm at another is particularly good.  
Tallahassee is getting as dangerous to us as Albany is to New York.—Jacksonville Times-Union. Which is an evidence that Jacksonville is getting as dangerous to Florida as New York City is to that State.  
There is evidence of improvement in financial circles all along the line. What halting there is, is on account of the tariff uncertainty. Let that be settled, and an unequalled period of prosperity will come upon the country.  
If the Legislature wants to do something which every member will everlastingly regret, let it pass a law providing for a State printing plant. It will be one of the greatest sources of graft the State has ever conducted.  
The newspapers of the State are now beginning to criticize the legislature for doing nothing. We knew that it would come. Plenty of work done, but principally small local bills in which the people are not generally interested.

Patrol Union suggests a new cartoon, very applicable to the newspaper war being waged against all forms of germs. It should convey the idea of a return to the mosaic law, and every man be required to carry his paddle.  
The present Legislature is going to stop the practice of one person paying the poll tax of another in order to secure his vote. This is well. But at the same time means should be adopted to force every man to pay his own tax.  
The Jacksonville Times-Union is afraid that the negroes will settle the prohibition question in Florida next year, but there is not the least danger of it. The white people in each community will protect their own interests.  
One should never wish to gain by another's ruin; but Florida celery growers will reap an extra profit from the fact that Michigan's celery fields have been greatly damaged by rain and hail—the early crop being nearly a total loss at some points.  
Volume 1, Number 1, of the National Monthly, the magazine founded by Norman E. Mack, has been received. For years Mr. Mack has been one of the leaders of the national democracy, and his new publication is chock full of good old Jeffersonian Democracy. Long may it wave.  
The controlling of 4,000 incandescent electric lamps in the Omaha Electrical Show from a wireless telegraph station five miles away is another romance of science come true. How this new development may be utilized in operating lights off shore or clear out at sea opens an almost limitless field for conjecture.  
Col. J. R. Miller, who has figured in a number of debates at Tallahassee, is right at home at this as he is when it comes to parliamentary law. His work in the committee room on parliamentary tactics before the house was no small factor in the way things went for the prohibition amendment bill.—Eustis Lake Region.  
DeSoto county can well consent to division. Small counties are usually more populous and prosperous than large, unwieldy ones. DeSoto is too large for the convenience of its increasing population. Divide with Seminole, and each will soon be greater in wealth and population than the present county. In this, history will only be repeated.  
The primary election bill of Hon. John L. Neeley has been substituted by the committee for the two other bills of the same nature, which were introduced, and there is good prospect of its passage. The bill contains some very valuable features, and Mr. Neeley has received many flattering congratulations on the ability and care shown in its preparation.  
Carrie Nation has moved to Arkansas. We pity those poor people out there. Why don't she move out of the world.—Fort Myers Press.  
People can abuse Carrie Nation as much as they like, but this does not detract one iota from the wonderful amount of good she has done in the world. She has her faults, like every individual living, but not one of her critics would be as bold in their opposition to sin, as she.  
In the interests of public education, it is to be regretted that the Legislature of Florida has twice refused to reimburse Miss Inez Abernathy for the loss of valuable private property destroyed by a fire in one of the public institutions of the State. It was property which she needed in giving instruction to her pupils, which the authorities had failed to supply her with, thus compelling her to bring her own treasured private property into the building. Further, it is said, she could have saved her property from the flames had she turned her attention to its preservation and left the pupils to their fate, as far as she was concerned. Carnegie may give medals for life-saving, but the State of Florida will not even pay for private property lost in rescuing young women from a horrible fate.—Jacksonville Times-Union.  
The ways of some legislators are past finding out. This worthy woman was using her own property to advance the cause of education in Florida, and when a time of trial came she forsook her own private interests and assisted in saving the lives of the girls intrusted to her care. This is abundantly proven. And yet the law makers refuse to reimburse her loss. How ungrateful.  
Anyone desiring a quiet home in which to board during the summer would be interested to confer with Mrs. Florence Moore, North Monroe St., outside city limits.

AN ALABAMA MAYOR.  
One of the most conscientious officials the editor of The True Democrat has ever known, is Hon. Thomas E. Kilby, who recently retired after serving his second term as mayor of the city of Anniston, Ala.  
When the question of city and county prohibition began to be agitated in 1907, this gentleman conscientiously opposed it, believing that the ill effects of blind tigers would be infinitely worse than licensed saloons.  
But when the voters decided that prohibition was for the best, he determined, so far as he was able, to enforce the law. He did not enter into the discharge of his duty in a half-hearted way, but spared neither friend or foe if proven a violator of this law.  
His experienced conviction that the law could not only be enforced, but it was a most wholesome and righteous enactment. At the close of his administration he was able to show that crime had decreased in his city nearly one hundred per cent, and that its financial interests had not been at all injured.  
His experiences and observations have converted him, and now he is an ardent prohibitionist. The last issue of The Citizen, the Anti-Saloon League organ, contains a fine likeness of him, and splendid editorial comment of his ability and conscientious devotion to the right.  
BUCKMAN'S LATEST.  
Senator Buckman evidently wants the State of Florida, in addition to its other numerous side-lines, to go into the "Keeley-cure" business on a wholesale scale.  
He has introduced an amendment to a pending bill which provides that habitual drunkards be treated as lunatics and committed to any asylum for treatment at the expense of the State.  
This measure, if adopted, would doubtless greatly diminish the tide of travel from Florida points in the direction of Dwight, Ill., and other well-known bi-chloride resorts; but it would also entail incalculable expense upon the State and would speedily result in the importation of dipomanias from other States, eager to take advantage of Florida's liberal offer of booze-treatment free to all.  
This would not be a very desirable class of immigrants and not the sort that Florida should expend money in attracting. It would be much worse than the advertisement which one pending bill proposes to attach to Jacksonville: "Come here to be electrocuted."—Tampa Tribune.  
EXEMPT NEWSPAPERS.  
We are glad to note that the Legislature of Florida will probably exempt the newspapers from the anti-pass law, says the Pensacola News. There is no good sense; logic or reasoning why the newspapers should be denied the privilege of exchanging advertising space for transportation.  
If the Legislature of Florida believes that the press of the State is too weak to accept this privilege without sacrificing its honesty, then we are of the opinion that it should not exempt the newspapers, but we are not ready to believe that any such opinion is entertained by the members of that body.  
The man who is too good to exchange his advertising space for transportation can still refuse to do so, but he will only hurt himself. If the State refuses to let any one do this it will cause a hardship upon a class of people who have done more than any other class to build up and to develop the State. The man who is too good, or too weak, to accept this transportation needn't worry that the transportation companies will force it on him.  
The amendment exempting the newspapers is a good one. We hope it will stick.  
The Tampa Times has the following to say of a prominent young Tallahasseean, now a resident of that city:  
The appointment of George P. Raney, Jr., to be solicitor of the criminal court of Hillsborough county in accordance of the verdict of the primary held last year, will please the people. Mr. Raney has filled the position to the entire satisfaction of the people and will continue to bring to the discharge of his duties the same fidelity and efficiency which earned him a handsome majority at the primary.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fitch*

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Here are 85,000,000 of people—a magnificent home market—and only one infant tea industry. Here are millions of acres of fertile land capable of cultivation, millions of American men ready to cultivate them, and only one tea plantation in the whole country. Cheap tea, like cheap clothing, every protectionist knows to be a curse. Shut out foreign tea by a prohibitory duty, and not only will the South Carolina tea industry enjoy a boom, but every paternal and maternal American will feel a just pride in having nursed another infant industry. Make the duty high enough and some day Senator Tillman's South Carolina friend may ship tea to China and undersell the Chinese at home.  
Items from Woodville.  
The farmers are busy making hay while the sun shines.  
A party of Woodville people enjoyed Thursday at the bay.  
Last Sunday was preaching day at the Methodist church, and the pastor gave us a stirring sermon on world wide missions. Most assuredly he has the cause at heart, and gave the subject special study.  
Married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. John R. Hamilton, of Corey, Fla., to Miss Ethel M. Lee, Rev. W. E. Dorsey officiating.  
We are proud to note that Mrs. W. E. Dorsey is slowly convalescing.  
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Miss Alice Boyd, one of Woodville's most accomplished young teachers, has left for a vacation this summer to her grandparents in North Carolina.  
Some of our young men made a flying trip to Spring Hill Sunday.  
We are sorry to note the change in the date of our regular yearly protracted meeting that was to come off in June this year. Will have to be changed on account of the continued illness of Mrs. Dorsey. The pastor not being able to get out among the people and work it up and devote his entire time to the cause as he should.  
Next Saturday, at 11 o'clock a. m., is the time for preaching at the Hamton School House; also the 5th Saturday and Sunday of this month.  
The Tallahassee District Conference convenes May 27-30 at Carrabelle this year.

**A Warning.**  
Parties desiring to buy monumental work of the Capital Stone Co. are warned that unscrupulous parties from other points are claiming to represent us, but our only agents in this State are named below:  
A. S. White, Quincy, Fla.  
W. H. Buchan, Tallahassee, Fla.  
T. E. Samson, Tallahassee, Fla.  
E. F. Samson, Tallahassee, Fla.  
All others claiming to represent us are impostors, and we should be notified of same.  
Yours truly,  
THE CAPITAL STONE CO.,  
Tallahassee, Fla.  
You should not delay under any circumstances in cases of Kidney and Bladder trouble. You should take something promptly that you know is reliable, something like DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They are unequalled for weak back, backache, inflammation of the bladder, rheumatic pains, etc. When you ask for DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills, be sure you get them. They are antiseptic. Accept no substitutes; insist upon getting the right kind. Sold by all druggists. 11-1m  
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**For Sale.**  
A good second hand buggy cheap for cash. (48-1f) CHILDS BROS.  
**Statement.**  
Made as required by Section 32, Chapter 3500, Acts 1907.  
Showing the amount of taxes charged to the "Tax Collector" of Leon County, Florida, to be collected for the current year 1908, and the apportionment of the same to the several funds for which taxes have been levied:  
Total tax for the year 1908..... \$40,833.00  
Extra Poles..... 45.00  
\$40,878.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 2,495.00  
Balance..... 44,473.00  
**APPORTIONMENT.**  
General Revenue..... \$39,200.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 455.40  
Schools..... 30,940.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 506.75  
Poles..... 1,492.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 200.00  
Fines and Forfeitures..... 6,000.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 212.85  
Roads and Bridges..... 3,340.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 106.15  
Special School, District No. 1..... 3,000.00  
Amount paid to April 1st, 1908..... 222.00  
\$44,473.00  
Attest—HENRY T. FELDER,  
Clerk of Circuit Court, Leon County, Florida,  
April 1st, 1908.  
How about that monument, iron fencing and coping.  
9-1f THE CAPITAL STONE CO.  
Orders and measures taken daily for spring and summer suits, the best suits made by the largest tailoring house in the country, Chittenden & Co. will have no other. 11