

# FORT PIERCE NEWS

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## AT IMPROVEMENT CLUB HALL

The Last Number of the Lyceum Course a Pleasing Success.

The management of the Improvement Club Hall have won the unstinted thanks of the amusement lovers of Fort Pierce and the entire pineapple section for their endeavors and success in furnishing entertainments of the highest order for the pleasure and instruction of the residents and visitors who winter on Indian River and to whom such pastime is of great benefit and much comfort. Being situated so far away from the larger cities the expense of bringing the best talent to this city has been considerable and more than once the treasury has been made the means of supplying the deficit but the managers were undaunted and such occurrences only caused them to re-double their efforts and success has invariably been the result. All the entertainments furnished have been of the highest standing in their class and it is doubted if a single person has left the hall this season that did not feel as if they had received more than their money's worth after attending one of the Lyceum entertainments. The last of this season's course was given Friday night when the Toronto Male Quartette entertained a splendid audience with a program in two parts and lasting over two hours. Classical and popular selections in the first part were rendered with brilliant forte effects and in a manner to please the most critical, much applause and a vivacious encore following each rendition. The second part was made up of Scotch selections in costume and some of the old and familiar ballads sung awakened memories of long ago with the elder listeners. A new but exceedingly sweet toned instrument called the Marcharp excited some curiosity as well as rendering tones that delighted all when skillfully touched by the leather-covered mallets in the hands of the adroit musicians. A fitting close to this most pleasing entertainment as well as to the last of the Lyceum course for this season was the rising of the audience and joining the quartette in singing "Auld Lang Sine."

### L'Engle and Price Mix.

Things that were not on the program happened at the L'Engle speaking at Miami Saturday night. The speaker had begun his tirade of abuse and was speaking of the newly enacted primary law which would put an end to crooked elections in Florida, and as evidence that it was causing the opposition some uneasiness he referred to a letter which he claimed to have a copy of which was addressed to W. H. Price, chairman of the Democratic Committee, written by Pleasant A. Holt, campaign manager to defeat the prohibition amendment. When L'Engle made reference to the letter Mitchell D. Price advanced toward the speaker and told him he would like to see the letter. Finding it only to be a copy Mr. Price vehemently denounced the letter as a forgery and L'Engle as a liar, and told him he could get satisfaction then and there. The speaker said he was not there to conduct a prize fight but would take satisfaction after the meeting. Mr. Price resumed his seat and calmly waited until the speech was finished when he slipped off his coat and started toward the speaker. L'Engle pulled off his coat and made ready for the fray but before they could hitch other parties interfered and stopped the fun by carrying Mr. Price away. Further developments are anxiously awaited.

Dr. C. T. Young, assistant to the State Health officer, in an investigation made at the public school at Kissimmee found 204 children, out of the 349 examined affected with hookworms and says no child who is so infected has a fair chance to battle with life. The hookworms being present in the alimentary canal they suck the blood from the lining of the intestines, and thus in two ways rob the individual of his strength and vitality. Those in immature years so affected are stunted in growth both mentally and physically and have no possible chance to attain to the high place in society to which nature and their good ancestry may have originally fitted them.

## A POPULAR COUPLE MARRIED

Pretty, Home Wedding at Eden Wednesday Evening.

One of the prettiest home weddings ever solemnized in this section occurred at Eden Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. LeTourneau, when Mr. R. L. Evernden and Miss Reba LeTourneau were united in marriage, Rev. H. W. McCombs officiating.

The ceremony took place in the spacious parlor, which was beautifully decorated by loving hands for the occasion, the color scheme being pink and white. Numerous small wedding bells were hung from many points in the room, while the nuptials were tied under an immense fern formation of a bell.

Promptly at eight o'clock Miss Mary Evernden, sister of the groom, struck the chords of the wedding march, as the bride, on the arm of her father, descended the stairs. The groom, accompanied by his brother, entered from the library and both parties met the officiating clergyman at the altar, where they were pronounced husband and wife according to the Presbyterian service.

After the ceremony a sumptuous supper was served the guests, of whom there were about fifty, and the bride and groom were showered with congratulations and good wishes. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. LeTourneau, of Eden, and being a young lady of charming personality, amiable disposition and other winning graces, has endeared herself to a host of friends all along the East Coast, all of whom wish her happiness and long life.

The groom is a young man of sterling worth and holds a responsible position with the Florida East Coast Railway, having been for over three years past agent at this point for the company. During his stay here he has made scores of friends and become identified with the city to a great extent, and his many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

The happy couple boarded the north bound train at 11 o'clock for Savannah, where they will spend the honeymoon, returning here for a couple of days' visit before taking up their residence at their new home in Daytona, to which point the groom will be transferred by the railway company.

The News joins the many friends of the happy couple in extending congratulations and wishing them long life, happiness and prosperity.

## STUART

Mrs. Fanny Baker has been on the sick list the past week but is mending. The McPherson "clan" had a fine time at their picnic on the beach last Saturday.

The M. E. Sunday school held a delightful Easter Sunday service, which was not chronicled. The little folks did credit to themselves, as usual.

Mr. Chas. Porter has recently purchased the house of Mr. Platt and will move in it at once. Mr. Platt moving out to his farm. We will miss them.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society met in the League room last Wednesday p. m. Mrs. Beville, Mrs. Robt. McPherson and Miss Lizzie Taylor entertained during the social hour.

Mr. Chas. A. Porter and wife entertained on a camping trip the following young ladies: Misses Blanche DeVault, Josephine Kitching, Anna Rainey and Ernestine Kitching, the last of the week in the Tar Heel.

One of the finest tarpon seen this winter was on exhibition at the railroad dock, measuring over six feet. It was caught by Geo. L. Farnum, of Philadelphia, after a struggle of 55 minutes. The North Fork is full of them.

The ladies of Stuart, on Tuesday afternoon, tendered Mrs. Dr. J. L. North a farewell reception at her home, as she soon leaves to join her husband at Miami. This being also the anniversary of her 25th wedding day. Elegant refreshments were served and all had a fine time.

The next meeting of the Association for the Improvement of the Fort Pierce Public School will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The presence of the members, parents and friends of the school children is earnestly desired.

MRS. C. G. ROEBER, Sec.

## MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD

M. J. Okerlund Retained as Principal of High School.

The Board of Public Instruction in and for St. Lucie county, met in regular session this 4th day of April, 1910, with W. E. Tylander, W. C. Bradford G. E. Coon and Supt. A. D. Penney. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion, it was ordered that the balance of \$205,000 due L. M. Raulerson for building school house at Tantie, be paid.

Matter of building a school house at Narrows was deferred for further investigation.

Report of trustees and recommendations thereon, from sub-District No. 4, was received and filed.

On motion, it was ordered that M. J. Okerlund be retained as principal of Fort Pierce High School for another year.

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet the first Monday in May, 1910.

W. E. TYLANDER,

Attest: A. D. PENNEY, Chairman.  
Sec. and Co. Supt.

The following warrants were ordered drawn:

Edna Johns No 1	50 00
H C Henderson No 1	50 00
L F Geiger	50 00
Belle Hawkins No 11	55 00
Emma O Helseth No 12	50 00
" " "	25 00
Inga Helseth	50 00
M J Okerlund sal	125 00
Eugeonia Fair 2d ass't	75 00
Ianthe Bond 3d ass't	60 00
Charlotte Bradley No 8	60 00
Bessie Thaxton	50 00
Bernice Thayer	50 00
Georgia Slater	50 00
Ula Geiger	45 00
Elma Geiger	55 00
Josie Stinson No 9	50 00
P B Geiger No 2	40 00
Ida Vanse No 11	50 00
Irene Pennington No 12	75 00
Barbara Miller No 12	40 00
Flora Morgan No 15	50 00
Mrs J C Belden No. 8	35 00
E C L & S Co	1 60
J E Fultz rec deed	1 35
W R Jackson supplies No 6	9 65
A O Helseth rep, etc No 12	8 00
P G Bell enc No 12	6 00
Leavenworth Co maps No 12	24 00
Fort Pierce News publ'g min	2 00
F C Gifford rep No 11	1 40
R E Mims rep wagon No 2	5 50
R L Brown pump	18 00
T J Appeward office sup	2 80
J E McCullers mor Quay school	94 50
H & W B Drew Co office sup	1 75
Bank Fort Pierce int	65 74
A D Penny sal as supt	75 00
" " trav exp and inci	4 25
W D Edwards trans pu No 12	33 33
T D Summerlin trans pu No 8	20 75
G W Drawdy trans pupils	29 98
Geo E Coon mil and per diem	7 00
W C Braddock	9 40
W E Tylander	8 00
" " ins Five Mile sc	75
L M Raulerson bld Tantie sch	205 00
	\$1,935 85

### Financial Statement.

Fort Pierce, Fla., April 7, 1910.	
Bal. in treas as per last st'm't	\$2,089 46
Receipts for March	6,181 36
Warrants outstanding this date	11,565 61
	\$19,836 43
Warrants outstanding as per last report	\$ 10,728 44
Total warrants drawn April	1,935 85
Cash on hand this date	7,172 14
	\$19,836 43

W. E. TYLANDER,

Attest: A. D. PENNEY, Sec. & Co. Supt.

### Mr. Walker Withdraws.

Mr. Eli C. Walker, who announced at the beginning of the campaign that he was a candidate for tax assessor, was in the city Monday and started political circles by announcing his withdrawal from the race. He wishes to thank those friends who were supporting him and have voted for him in the past. Mr. Walker's withdrawal leaves three candidates in the field for the office and the contest is still as warm as ever, but we are not able to predict the effect of the latest move or the chances of either of the candidates.

## CLAUDE L'ENGLE SPOKE HERE

Wants the Job of United States Senator from the People.

Hon. Claude L'Engle, candidate for United States Senator, was in the city last Thursday evening and spoke in the court house in the interest of his candidacy. He was greeted by only a small audience, owing to the very short time had in which to advertise the meeting, but those who attended were kept interested for two hours and entertained in a manner seldom equaled at a one man political meeting.

Mr. L'Engle opened by saying he was running his campaign on a unique plan which he styled the "See-um and Ask-um" plan. In the course of his travels he declared he had seen more people than all the candidates who ever ran for the United States Senate and had been in more towns than the others knew were on the map.

The candidate not only told of his own achievements and his work at the capital while editor of the Sun but threw a strong light on some of the misdeeds of ex-Governor Broward and the omissions of Senator Taliaferro, his two opponents.

He went deep into the Broward-Jennings-Bowles combination and transaction whereby the State of Florida was leached out of vast tracts of land and told how Broward had used the office for his own financial purposes.

His respects to Senator Taliaferro were tendered in a biting manner. He reviewed his work in the Senate for the past ten years and said that if his (Claude's) secretary could not get all those things he would fire the said menial. This, he intimated, would leave him unincumbered to devote his time to accomplishing bigger things for the country and state.

Mr. L'Engle exhibited several catchy cartoons illustrating his points, and had maps to illustrate his statements on the land question. He promised also to secure deep water for St. Lucie Inlet. Mr. L'Engle left that night for West Palm Beach and Miami.

## WALTON

Service at St. Paul's church Sunday evening, April 15th.

Mrs. J. H. Andrews is spending a few days this week the guest of Mrs. Harry Andrews, of Fort Pierce.

The Fortnightly dance at the club house on Thursday evening, 7th. This is the closing dance of this series.

Many Waltonites have been attending the tennis tournament at the Mid-Rivers Club, where some very good playing was to be seen daily. The end came yesterday, giving the victory to Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, so the honors stay with Walton.

Mr. Russell Waters is having a short visit to his parents and will remain until the 10th to enjoy his cousin's house party, when he will return to Savannah with Mrs. Scott and her guests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harris returned this week from Jacksonville and will again take up their residence here, though at present they are stopping at Linwood, Mr. Sutton's house, until Mrs. Scott goes north on the 19th.

The Book Club Exchange held a very successful meeting on Saturday last. It was voted a membership fee of 25 cents per year be charged the membership to commence from May 1st of each year. Mrs. E. J. Luce offered the use of her house for the summer where members could obtain books every other Saturday afternoon. A Magazine Exchange meeting will soon be held, when members will be able to secure such magazines as they have not had. Any one wishing to join the exchange will kindly apply to Mrs. E. J. Luce.

Mr. C. A. Killer, of this city, and Mr. A. A. Demmer, of Lorain, Ohio, last week closed a deal with Mr. A. E. Huffman, of Cleveland, Ohio, whereby they become owners of fifteen acres of desirable land fronting on Orange avenue, the consideration being \$3,000. Messrs. Killer and Demmer will in a short time cut this tract into building lots of convenient size and put them on the market, and there is every reason to believe that they will soon be disposed of and the West End will see many new homes in the near future.

## EASTERN STAR SCORED SUCCESS

"The Making of a Mason."

What was considered by good critics to be one of the best performances either amateur or professional, ever given in Fort Pierce was the entertainment by the ladies of the Eastern Star Tuesday evening when they presented the two-act comical farce entitled "Making of a Mason." The cast consisted of fifteen characters and each one was perfect in the part assumed and contributed generously to the continuous uproar of the delighted audience.

The scene is in the lodge room of the first female Masonic lodge, organized for the emancipation of woman kind. The secrets of the order having been gleaned by one of their number from her husband who talked in his sleep the females being gathered together and instructed in the mysterious and wonderful doings, grips, passwords, signs, etc., of the heretofore well-guarded inner-circle. The disclosure of the secrets, Mary Yelling Screech in a speech before the lodge, tells her husband was tortured and maimed by his initiation, and called on her sisters to be firm and show that insect called man that they could conduct lodge on the same great plan.

The lodge in open session does many things to startle the audience, which kept in a continuous uproar of laughter and the initiation of a candidate is begun. Before the ceremony is finished a man is discovered hiding in the room whereupon he is seized, brought before the High Mogul, sentenced to death and a few other things of a like nature. What the women do to the man is indeed a plenty, but before the young is cut off he is allowed the alternative of being initiated. This they proceed to do, and he is duly made a "sister" and rides a real goat.

The songs were all appropriate and well rendered, as was every detail of the entire performance.

The following was the cast of characters:

Most Illustrious High Mogul,	Mrs. E. E. Rollins
Grand High Pull Hauler,	Mrs. C. Summerlin
Royal Panjandrum	Mrs. Benj. Hobbles
High Muck-a-Muck	Mrs. P. C. Bronson
Hobble de Hoy	Mrs. F. E. Wills
Gibble Gobble	Mrs. W. B. Crockett
Linen Draper	Mrs. R. Why
A. F. & A. M.	Mrs. W. A. Beal
Most Worthy Scribe	Mrs. R. E. Brown
Grand Inner Guard of the Temple Key Hole	Mrs. A. M. Sampson
Grand Outer Guard of the Temple Key Hole	Mrs. A. C. Dittmer
Mary Yelling Screech	Mrs. B. B. Pyle
Candidate	Mrs. W. J. Nesbitt
Paul Pry	A. B. Brown
The Goat	Himself

Much of the credit for the success of the entertainment is due Mrs. E. Rollins, who, in addition to playing the leading role, had charge of the stage and preparation of the play.

It has been decided to reproduce "The Making of a Mason" at Jensen at an early date.

### Off To The Everglades.

Well provided with rope, chains, jacks, axes, picks, shovels and necessary lumber for a temporary bridge two automobiles left Fort Pierce Wednesday morning for a trip to Lake Okechobee by way of Tantie. To make the trip more assured Mr. Pe Raulerson, of Tantie, was notified of the proposed trip and requested to contribute eight yoke of his largest and best plow oxen and hold them in readiness in case of need, which is likely to occur. The wearing apparel and hand luggage of the party looked as if it was selected to withstand rough usage and hampers of provender resembled the sent at Christmas to orphan homes in large cities. The party, when it left, was composed of N. O. Penny, P. Chas Gifford, of Vero; T. G. Ross of Cocod; E. S. Williams and A. Sample, of Fort Pierce, and they are making a mid-season Okechobee to just to see what kind of a country west of us and how Tantie would for a tourist resort. Time for returning, unlimited.

Bond Trustee C. J. Reams, of Vero, was a visitor in the county seat Tues-