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Social Madison.

Wednesday evening of last week were a score of Madison homes pleasurable flurry, for, since 4 o'clock, had not the phone been ringing overtime bearing the summons to an al fresco oyster roast, to be given by Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Hall.

What more appealing to women than a winter evening's frolic or to men an informal gathering, with no "shave and clean collar" attached? As a pre-prandial treat, came the drive through the winter night, with an ever extending horizon picked out in burnished trees, imagination almost catching the vision of friendly faces moving around those magic, glowing lights.

Arriving at the bungalow, which was gayly surrounded by many friends, the guests were met at the door by their host and hostess with happy hand clasps and a cordial welcome. All soon repaired to the garden where several barrels of elegant oysters fit for epicurean guests awaited the appetites of each. Every woman present, needless brought away an abiding memory of the unselfish gallantry of Madison men. "Come here to your husband; he is being just fine to me," cried out one matron. "That's all right; yours is waiting on me beautifully" was the serene reply.

The "roast" over, the ladies returned to the house to admire its appointments, while the men indulged a while in jokes and cigars. It was rumored that they were anxious to explore the dairy and its contents, but someone had obeyed the nursery rhyme and "locked the dairy door," and brought the key to Henry, so the gentlemen were disappointed. All lingered as long as possible, loath to leave so rare an atmosphere, for Mr. and Mrs. McCall have within themselves the attributes which spell home, but at last each guest had hopes, having added one more delightful picture to memory's storehouse of the Royal Jolly of Life.

On Thursday last, Mrs. L. A. Fraleigh, deciding to revive memories of happy school days, entertained a few friends with a "Come to School" party. The game was a mock examination in several studies in which Mrs. Hodges, the guest of honor, proved the brightest scholar receiving a lunch basket full of malaga grapes, also a bottle of perfume, as the guest of honor prize.

Flowers, two of each kind, were given, and each two receiving the same flowers thus became desk mates. After "school was out," the guests were invited to go into the dining room for lunch. If all scholars could lunch in such beautiful surroundings, how such dainty fare, school would be overwhelmingly popular.

Master Boyd an enterprising Valdosta boy was in Madison several days the week selling a piece of music the words of which were composed by his mother, Mrs. Ben Boyd, one Miss Janie Thomas formerly of Madison. The song commemorates in verse happy hours spent by the writer at the old school house and under the oaks of Lake Francis. Mrs. Boyd is pleasant recalled by her friends here, as the modest and attractive daughter of Mrs. Bill Thomas, now deceased.

The Tucker sisters, Bible readers and evangelists, will begin a meeting with the Lakeland Methodist church next week.

The whole house was a picture in white and green, the decorations being white narcissus, bamboo, ferns and climbing apparatus. Over the table was suspended a green parasol with ribbons extending to the table from each rib. The floral center piece was exquisite, being composed of white camellias, white hyacinths, and maiden hair fern. The color notes were extended into the refreshments which were a salad course, followed by cream and cake. After lunch school again "took in" and an old time spelling bee was held in which Mrs. Dr. Smith proved a remarkable speller, and was given as a reward of merit a beautiful bouquet.

Mrs. Fraleigh was assisted in receiving and entertaining her guests by her mother and sisters, Madames Parramore, Ashley and Beggs.

In honor of her guest Mrs. Frederic Hodges, Mrs. A. E. Fraleigh gave last Friday evening one of the most elaborate parties of the winter, the guests over forty in number including both the younger and the married sets. Mrs. Fraleigh assisted by Mr. Fraleigh and Mrs. Hodges received and welcomed each guest in a manner peculiar to her gracious self, and the whole affair was a charming blend of happy informality and brilliance. The punch bowl was presided over by Miss Clara Coggin and was beautifully adorned with a wreath of scarlet camellias and malaga grapes. In the dining room the table was beautiful with its decorations of camellias and cypress lace. Progressive whist was played at which game, Mr. Will Taylor was awarded the gentleman's prize a silver knife, Miss Beesie Thorne won the lady's prize, a set of shirt waist pins, and the guest of honor prize was a Madison souvenir spoon. After the game oyster cocktails were served, followed by a delightful salad course with coffee. Mrs. Hodges during her visit here has been the recipient of no more flattering attention than this beautiful affair.

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock Mrs. Wm. H. Dial, assisted by Mrs. Hodges in honor of whom she entertained, received and made welcome her friends, whilst being the feature of the afternoon. Cards each with a luck penny attached, and their purpose explained in clever verse were given as souvenirs. Three daily prizes were then numbered, and each guest wrote her name opposite a number upon a slip pinned to the wall. The ones choosing the lucky numbers were Madames Carey Hardee and T. G. Smith, and Miss Agnes Parramore.

After the games, the most incomparable buffet lunch was served that has ever been enjoyed in Madison. Each item was the perfection of culinary art, both tempting to the palate and aesthetically a thing of beauty. Mrs. Alex Smith and Mrs. A. E. Fraleigh presided at the exquisitely appointed table serving tea and coffee.

This latest entertainment of Mrs. Dial's has served but to strengthen the reputation which she has always borne as a talented and most winning hostess.

The hunting party composed of L. A. Fraleigh, Saver Griffin, Walter Bunting, B. B. McCall, A. Livingston, Jr., W. S. Davis and W. M. Burton left early Tuesday morning for the "happy hunting ground" in the vicinity of Cedar Island on the Gulf Coast. They will be gone two or three weeks during which time they expect to kill and catch deer, fish and other game sufficient to stock their several larders for many weeks to come. It is a jolly crowd and they are bound to have fun in plenty.

Rev. C. C. Cecil, the Conference evangelist, has just closed a series of meetings with the Tallahassee Methodist church.

CHARLIE PITTMAN PAYS THE PENALTY

For The Outrage and Murder of Miss Serena Allen at Greenville.

Another chapter in the Allen murder mystery at Greenville was written Saturday night when Charlie Pittman, negro barber, was shot to death by a number of enraged people.

Pittman has been under suspicion ever since the commission of the horrible crime which resulted in the death of Miss Serena Allen, account of which was published last week. After the death of the young lady the full details of the crime came out and it was learned that another and unspeakable crime had been committed upon her after which the frightful blows were given which caused her death.

Circumstances pointed to the negro Pittman as the guilty party, and he was arrested and placed in the town calaboose while evidence connecting him with the murder was being gathered. By last Saturday night the circumstantial chain was complete, every link being forged and joined to the other. The bloody clothes and handkerchief, the strange absence of himself from his place of business and other details. With commendable patience the outraged community bided its time and was not swayed by blind passion. Saturday night the building for the calaboose. Deputy Sheriff Hardy Griffin ordered them away and they withdrew for a short distance. The deputy entered the building for the purpose of removing the prisoner to a place of greater safety. Opening the door he was met by Pittman who bravely attacked him and with a knife cut and stabbed him severely. The deputy pulled his pistol and shot Pittman and then the crowd rushed back and with guns and pistols literally shot the prisoner to pieces.

It is said that there can be no mistake of the negro's guilt. The evidence against him is conclusive. If so, he has met his just reward.

Deputy Griffin is recovering from the knife wounds.

Neglected Cold Threatens Life.

(From the Chicago Tribune)

"Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn, winter and spring, the chances of a surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary cold will become severe if neglected, and a well established type cold is to the germ of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is the neglected cold. Whether it is a child or adult the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of this preparation has been attested by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale by D. G. Smith.

Arbor Day Celebration.

Next Saturday, 8th inst., is what is known in Florida as "Arbor Day," and appropriate exercises will be held in the school auditorium at 2 o'clock p. m., to which the public is cordially invited. Following is the program which will be observed:

Song, Arbor Day.
Scripture Reading, Rev. W. R. Ivey.
Invocation, Rev. E. P. Mickel.
Reading Letter of State Superintendent, Mayor R. H. Rowe.
Song, Selected.
Short Talks, Rev. C. Fred Blackburn and Supt. G. W. Tedder.
Song, Selected.
Recitation, To the Pine Tree.
Discussion: Best means to improve and beautify our school grounds and buildings. By the Externs.
Song of Dedication, An Arbor Day Tree.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual stockholders meeting of Union Mfg. Co., will be held at the Company's office in Greenville, Fla., Feb'y. 11th, 1908, 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors for coming year and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

J. T. Francis, Sec'y, and Treas.

Pineetta Pencillings

As I have seen no news from our town in some time (thought I had best write something, as we want the good people of Madison county and elsewhere where the Enterprise may have chance to go to know what we are doing over this way.

Rev. Patterson, the new Holmes Pastor, filled his regular appointment here last Saturday and Sunday.

The school has been suspended since Xmas on account of measles and other illness, but started again last Monday with a fairly good attendance.

Miss Woods from near Lovel Station is visiting her uncle, Mr. W. D. Sutley.

Jas. Shelby Show visited us last Friday and gave two exhibitions. The show was very good and well attended.

Supt. G. W. Tedder was down visiting the school last Monday.

Miss Delia Scarborough attended meeting at Oklawilla last Saturday remaining over till Sunday.

Next Friday is Arbor day and the citizens of Pineetta and surrounding community anticipate setting out a lot of trees.

Attention Citizens of Madison.

The Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting next Monday, Feb. 16 half past two, in the Methodist church. Every member and all citizens are earnestly urged to be present.

The life of the Association, in a great measure, depends on this meeting. We desire to make the Cemetery the liveliest spot, the attraction of our town. We can not do this without your co-operation. We will endeavor to dispatch business promptly, and will not detain you long. Don't forget the date—Monday afternoon Feb. 16.

LADIES OF C. I. A.

You Can't Segregate a Vice

You cannot segregate a vice. Chas. T. Barney, a Cleveland, O., boy, later a New York banker and speculator, who committed suicide, among his other failures, failed to segregate his vices.

Sins, somehow, always hunt in packs. Barney speculated with trust funds. Until the great exposure came no one knew this except Barney, but he, exposed in his own sight, was weakened thereby, and his moral fiber broke down in other directions.

Unfaithful to his bank depositors, he next became unfaithful in his family relations, and lived a lie to his wife and children.

He could not look sin up in his office desk and go home sinless. Sin is a moral disease, and a man cannot quarantine it from one part of his life while he permits it to exist in another part. It is too infectious.

He who has, "one pet failing," soon has other pets of the same breed.

The only safe rule is to cut them all out unless you want to let them all in.—Seattle Star.

The Florida Bankers' Association will hold its annual meeting February 20 and 21 in the "Convention City"—St. Petersburg.

The Index says: "The money panic has not struck Milton, or if it has it was very light. There are more houses being built than ever before, except when the town was nearly wiped out by fire in 1898." Good! Who was it that said voting the boom shops out would ruin the town?

RUN-OVER LOCALS

S. W. Bowen of Olympia made a business trip to Madison Monday.

J. A. and V. E. Blanton of the Lee neighborhood were in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Russell of Greenville are visiting relatives and friends in town and vicinity.

Dr. F. S. Hodges of Jacksonville spent from Friday to Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fraleigh.

Mrs. P. S. Coggin visited her daughter, Mrs. Walker of Valdosta Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Madames A. Livingston and A. Livingston, Jr., left Tuesday for a month's visit to Tampa and other points.

Call at the photograph gallery over M. Bunting's shop and have your photograph made. Satisfaction guaranteed. E. A. Revels, photographer.

School Board and County Commissioners held their regular monthly meetings this week. The official minutes of both will appear in these columns next week.

Col. C. H. Hardee came over from Live Oak Saturday, returning home Sunday, and was accompanied by Mrs. Hardee who has been for several weeks the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. C. Smith.

For Sale at half price—Nice upright piano. Medium size cooking range. Fancy oak dining table. To be sold quickly at sacrifice. Everything practically new and will sell all or a part of it. Box 586, Jacksonville.

Attention is called to the Arbor Day program as furnished by Prof. Cate. Madison has been behind the times in not having observed this before, as it has been adopted everywhere in progressive communities. It is the duty and should be the pleasure of as many parents as possible to send trees, attend and help make Arbor Day a success next Saturday.

Senator Broome not a Candidate.

Editor Times:—

Replying to your query "whether or not you will be a candidate for congress from the third congressional district"—I beg to say, though I would prize it a high honor to represent my people in the halls of congress, and notwithstanding I approve and endorse the primary system, believing that the people should be given the opportunity to say, by their direct vote, who they wish to represent them in the councils of state, yet the primary system carries a very heavy tax on all candidate for state and congressional honors, almost precluding the possibility of one of moderate means entering the political arena for either of these honors, therefore after study and proper consideration I have decided not to be a candidate.

Fully appreciating the flattering solicitation of my friends to enter the race, and tendering to you, Mr. Editor, my sincere thanks for your favorable consideration of myself, as expressed through the columns of your valuable journal I am,

Yours very truly,

JAMES E. BROOME.

—Quincy Times.

Notice.

I will be at each precinct in this County on dates named below for the purpose of assessing taxes for 1908. Meet me, and make returns of your property, as the law directs. Look for me as follows:

Oak Grove	Feb. 6th 1908	afternoon
Cherry Lake	" 7th "	"
Moseley Hall	" 10th "	"
Harmony	" 11th "	"
Greenville	" 12th "	"
Hamburg	" 13th "	"
Hixtown	" 17th "	"

The Tax Collector will be with me at Moseley Hall, Harmony and Greenville.

Respectfully,
ROBT. J. PATTERSON,
Tax Assessor