

JOHN WESTERN TELLS OF SOUTHERN TRIP

ST. PETERSBURG & TAMPA

Interesting Things Noted by Lake County People During Tour in Florida Recently

This is the fourth of a series of stories by John Western on his recent trip south:

St. Petersburg and Tampa are substantial towns located on Tampa Bay. Of course Tampa has its large cigar factories, and a section which closely resembles streets in Havana or other Spanish cities. The Tampa Bay Hotel has been for forty years a noted attraction of the west coast of Florida. Forty-two years ago it was erected by Mr. Plant, the founder of the Plant Railway System. This noted builder made a thorough search of Europe personally, and by the aid of competent representatives, for artistic, elaborate and expensive articles of furniture for use in this, the finest of all America's hotels at the time of its erection. Even the Kings and Queens of England and other European countries gave up expensive and beautiful pieces of furniture to aid Mr. Plant in realizing his ambition. He was such a remarkable man that he received presents from notable personages of articles of furniture, the equal of which only wealthy men would think of owning at present.

During the years that Mr. Plant was operating on the west coast of Florida, building his railroads, a line of boats, and the great Tampa Bay Hotel, Henry M. Flagler, a Standard Oil magnate, was gratifying his ambition by notable development work on the east coast. A good story is told to the effect that when Mr. Plant had everything ready for a grand opening of the Tampa Bay Hotel, he invited amongst many other noted men and women, Henry M. Flagler, to become his guest at the opening, and that Mr. Flagler wired to Mr. Plant—"Where is Tampa?" It is not supposed that this reply was prompted by jealousy between two big business men, but merely as a bit of pleasantry.

On our drive from Tampa south-eastward through another portion of central Florida, we passed through thousands of acres of well kept and productive citrus fruit groves, and made one stop at a fine packing plant, where oranges were being assorted, washed, packed and loaded into cars. After we left Jacksonville, we had enjoyed sunshine every day, and orange and grapefruit trees lent a charm to our happy frame of mind, which can hardly be understood by people who do not love well kept orchards. While at one of the large marble company plants at Tate, we were shown hundreds of pieces of pink marble, which were being shaped for use in a most remarkable structure which the men said was being built by Edward W. Bok at

Mountain Lake, Florida. They did not know much about Mountain Lake or the purpose of the extraordinary building of which they had blue prints, but they said enough to cause us to be on the lookout for Mountain Lake. We found it was on our direct route from Tampa to Miami. Mr. Bok, the brilliant former editor of the Ladies Home Journal, has laid out 14 acres of ground by the side of a charming lake for a bird sanctuary, and a place for the benefit of students of nature in practically all lines of plant growth adapted to this climate. On the highest point he has erected an octagonal building in the shape of a tower which rises 210 feet above the ground, and is composed of Coquind building stone and pink Georgia marble covering a massive steel frame. In the top of this great tower there will be an unusually expensive carrollin of chimies. This beautiful and striking piece of architecture is erected on the highest point in peninsular Florida, and on the highest ground within sixty miles of the Atlantic Coast south of Washington or within the same distance of any portion of the coast of the Gulf of Mexico. A portion of the shore of the same lake is occupied by the beautiful home of Mr. Bok, also by the expensive home of Mr. Bedford, a Standard Oil official, and by three or four homes of prominent Northern business men. I strongly advise all of my friends to visit Mountain Lake when they go to Florida.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY HALTED BY POLICE

Winnetka Officers Prevent Hold-up of Skokie Inn, Landlord in Battle

Three men attempted to hold up the Skokie Inn in Northfield township last week, engaged in a revolver battle with Al Ottone, the proprietor, and later were arrested by Chief of Police W. N. Peterson of Winnetka. Peterson formerly was village marshal of Lake Bluff. In the automobile in which they were riding Chief Peterson found two pistols and a black-jack. The arrested men were identified by Ottone. They fired four shots at him, he said, and he returned the fire.

RAVINIA DRAMA SHOP TO STAGE TWO PLAYS

The Ravinia Drama Workshop will give "The Companions" and "The Lost Silk Hat" at the Guild House of Northwestern university settlement, on Saturday evening, April 21, at 8:30. Miss Harriet Vitum, head of the settlement, will be hostess at a dinner to precede the plays. Reservations for this dinner are being made with Mrs. Donald Maxwell, Wilmette 2986. The dinner and plays are given under the auspices of the North Shore Alumnae of the Chicago Teachers college, for their building fund.

PETITION AGAINST GLENCOE DAY KILLED

The fate of Glencoe day which in recent years has grown to be one of the outstanding annual events of the village and which is sponsored by the Glencoe Chamber of Commerce, is "hanging in the balance" as the result of a petition against these events, and particularly the practice of holding them in any of the public parks of Glencoe.

The petition, prepared by the Woman's Library club of Glencoe and bearing more than eighty signatures, has been presented to the Glencoe Park Board, the Village Board and the Glencoe Chamber of Commerce.

GLENCOE BUILDING INSPECTOR RESIGNS

William Edwards, who during the past year has served the village of Glencoe as Building Commissioner and who was recently employed as Superintendent of the North Shore Mosquito Abatement district, has resigned the office of Building Commissioner, his resignation being presented to the Village Board of Trustees at its meeting last week.

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