

W. A. BLOUNT JR'S. ADDRESS AT FLORIDA CHAUTAUQUA

Eloquent Oration by Pensacolian Upon George Washington.

LARGE CROWD FROM ALL SECTIONS OF WEST FLORIDA ATTENDED SESSIONS AT DEFUNIAK SPRINGS YESTERDAY, AND ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED WAS GREATLY ENJOYED.

Special to The Journal DeFunia Springs, Feb. 24.—This was "Pensacola Day" at the Florida Chautauqua...

A large number of Pensacolians were in attendance, the majority of them arriving on the morning train.

A feature of the day's program of special interest to the people of West Florida was the oration of Mr. W. A. Blount, Jr., of Pensacola...

Mr. Blount's Address. Mr. Blount said: As we turn backward the pages of history and come to the 22nd day of February in the year 1732...

and strength. The performance of public duty necessarily interferes with the interests of those whose paths to unearned honor and profit are blocked by the barriers which men performing their duties raise...

Gladstone's Tribute. Gladstone said, "If among the pedestals supplied by history for eminent public characters, I saw one higher than all the rest...



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ON BOARD THE MONITOR



FLORIDA

By Ben H. Thomas.

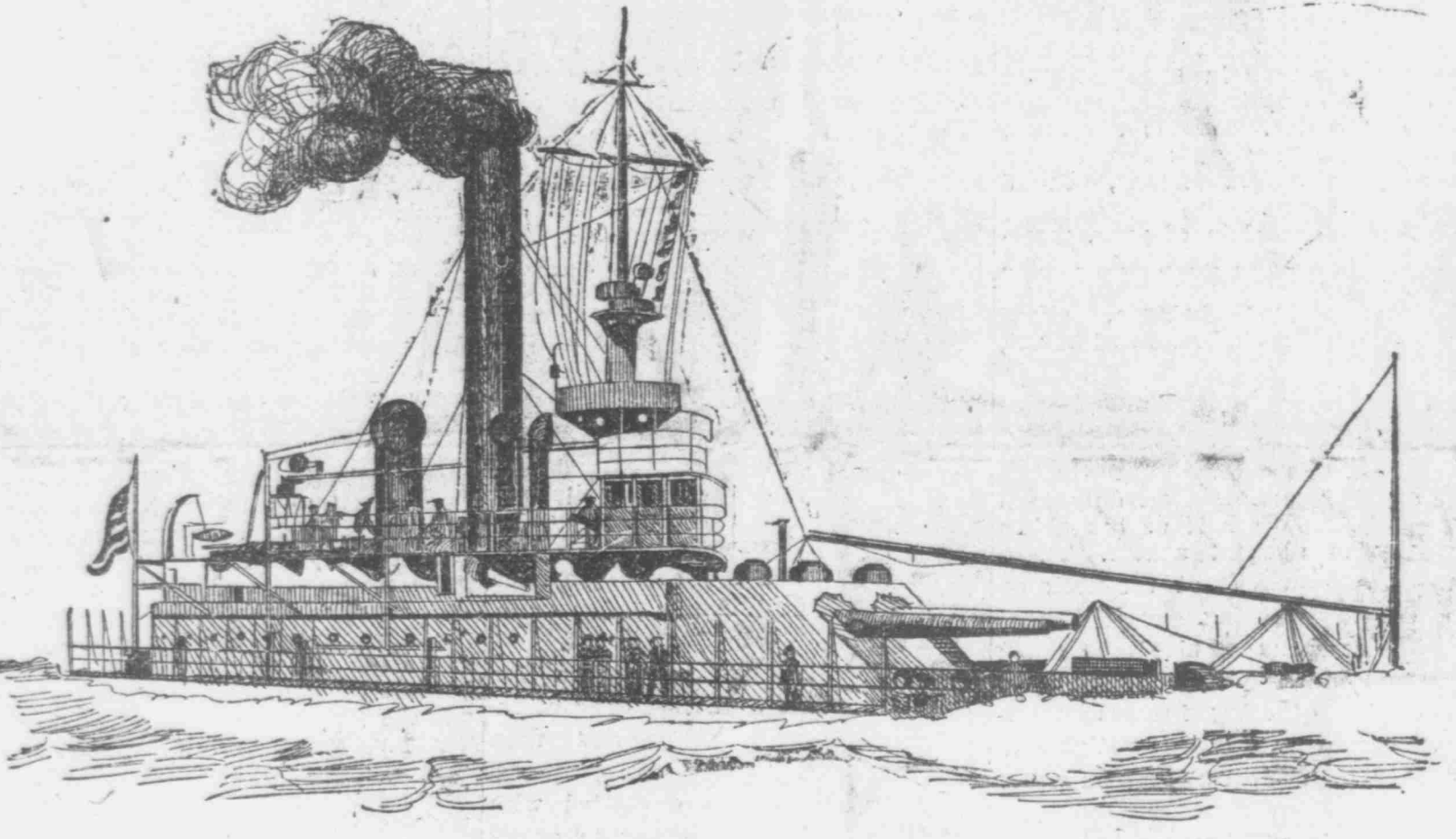
The United States Monitor Florida, which Uncle Sam has kindly detailed to represent the Navy during the Royal Revels in honor of Priscus, Rex and which is now lying in the bay a short distance off the foot of Palafox street...

Superstructure Deck. On the superstructure deck, forward, is the conning tower, a circular chamber of steel from which the commanding officer navigates the vessel when in action.

The Florida has four decks, namely, Berth deck, Main deck, Superstructure deck and Bridge deck.

The Main Deck. The after part of the main deck contains the quarters of the officers; the amidship section the ice machine for cooling the drinking water...

The pilot house is on the bridge deck and, in addition to the necessary apparatus for steering the vessel, contains automatic annunciators connecting with the engine room...



U. S. MONITOR FLORIDA UNDER WAY.

The illustration shows the vessel steaming at full speed. She has but little freeboard, the main deck being but about three feet above the surface of the water; consequently the decks are awash when the vessel is under way.

CASTRO HAS CLEARED UP \$300,000 ON ASPHALT

ters for a portion of the crew, the barber shop, four big dynamos, a rack for "ditty" boxes...

Life on the Monitor. The life of a bluejacket on one of Uncle Sam's monitors...

Engines and Boilers. Immediately below the main deck, amidships, are the engines and boilers...

Berth Deck. The berth deck is located just forward of the boilers...

Colors. At 8 a. m. comes "colors," when the flag of the Nation is hauled to the top of the staff.

Quarters. At 9:15 comes the call for "regular quarters," which is a roster of the crew and inspection of clothing...

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President of Venezuela Republic Mixes Private Business With Public Privilege and Makes Money by It.

CONTROVERSY OVER MINING RIGHTS STILL REMAINS UNSETTLED AND GOVERNMENT DICTATOR CONTINUES TO ROB AMERICAN COMPANY OF ITS RIGHTS AND PROPERTY THERE.

Special to The Journal. Washington, Feb. 24.—Outside of the president and his cabinet, no one in Washington is fully informed as to the nature of Judge W. J. Calhoun's report on the controversy between President Castro and the New York and Bermudez (Asphalt) Co.

Numerous conflicting reports emanate from Washington correspondents as to the Calhoun report.

A few weeks before the Calhoun report was submitted, Clyde Brown, Treasurer of the so-called "Asphalt Trust," was sent to Venezuela...

Mr. Brown has just returned from Venezuela. He failed to induce Castro to agree to any reasonable basis of compromise...

While Mr. Brown was in Caracas, and when negotiations which he conducted through Minister Russell were apparently proceeding to a successful end, there was a sudden hitch.

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A ROMANCE OF THE ROYAL REVELS OF PRISCUS, REX. THE PROFESSOR AND THE PINK DOMINO. WRITTEN FOR THE JOURNAL BY NELLIE CRAVEY GILMORE

It was a gay scene as only Florida can boast in mid-winter. The sun was a blaze of yellow glory, and the wind, which is like no other wind, blew gracefully across the open.

"I suppose you've received your invitation," she enquired irrelevantly. "Several. Which do you mean?" "Mrs. Telford's."

"When the third party enters in" appeared the professor, eagerly. And he hugged himself in spirit.

"Not really?" "Not really." "Let me see your hand." Doris extended her fingers mechanically.

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